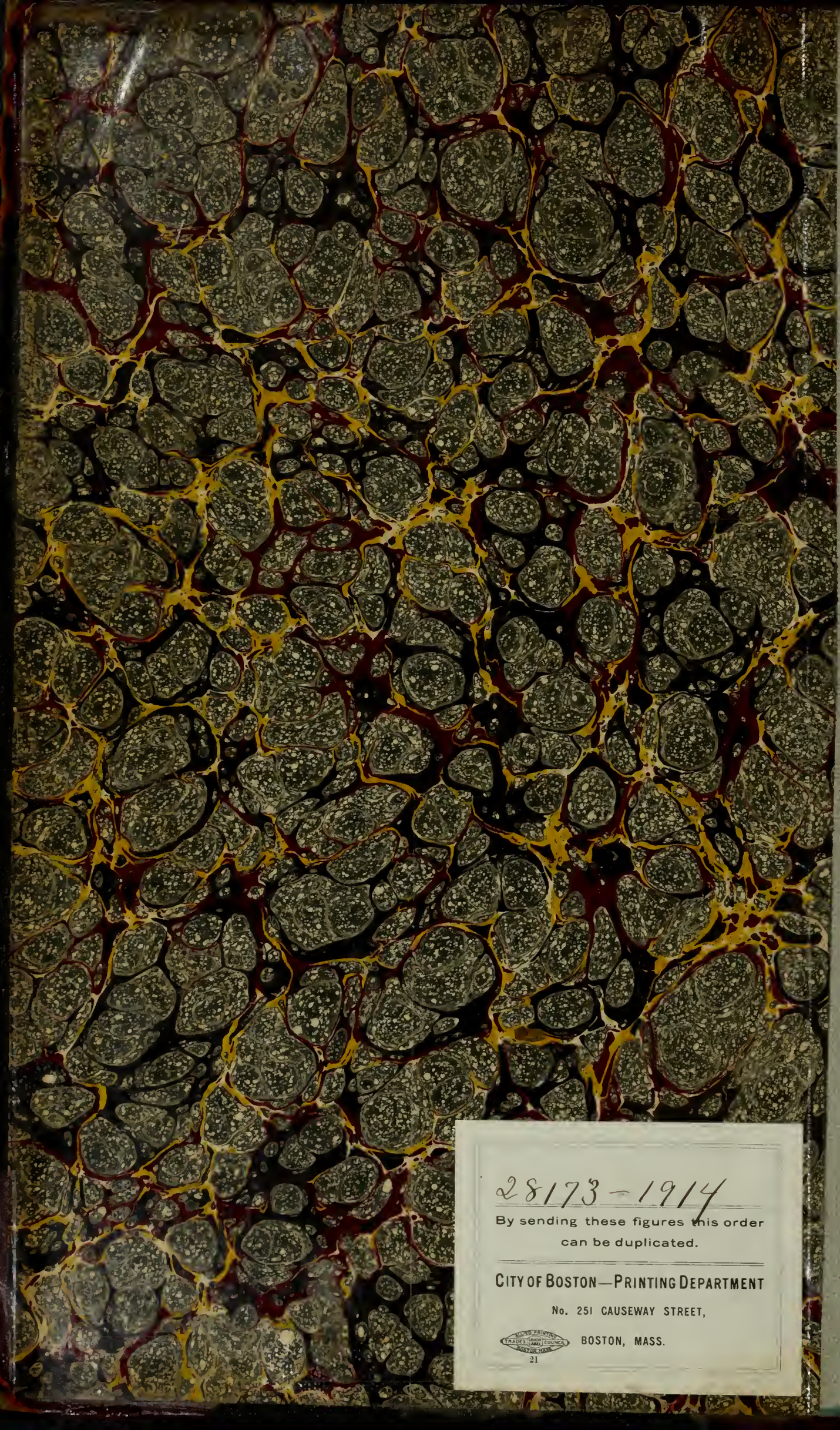

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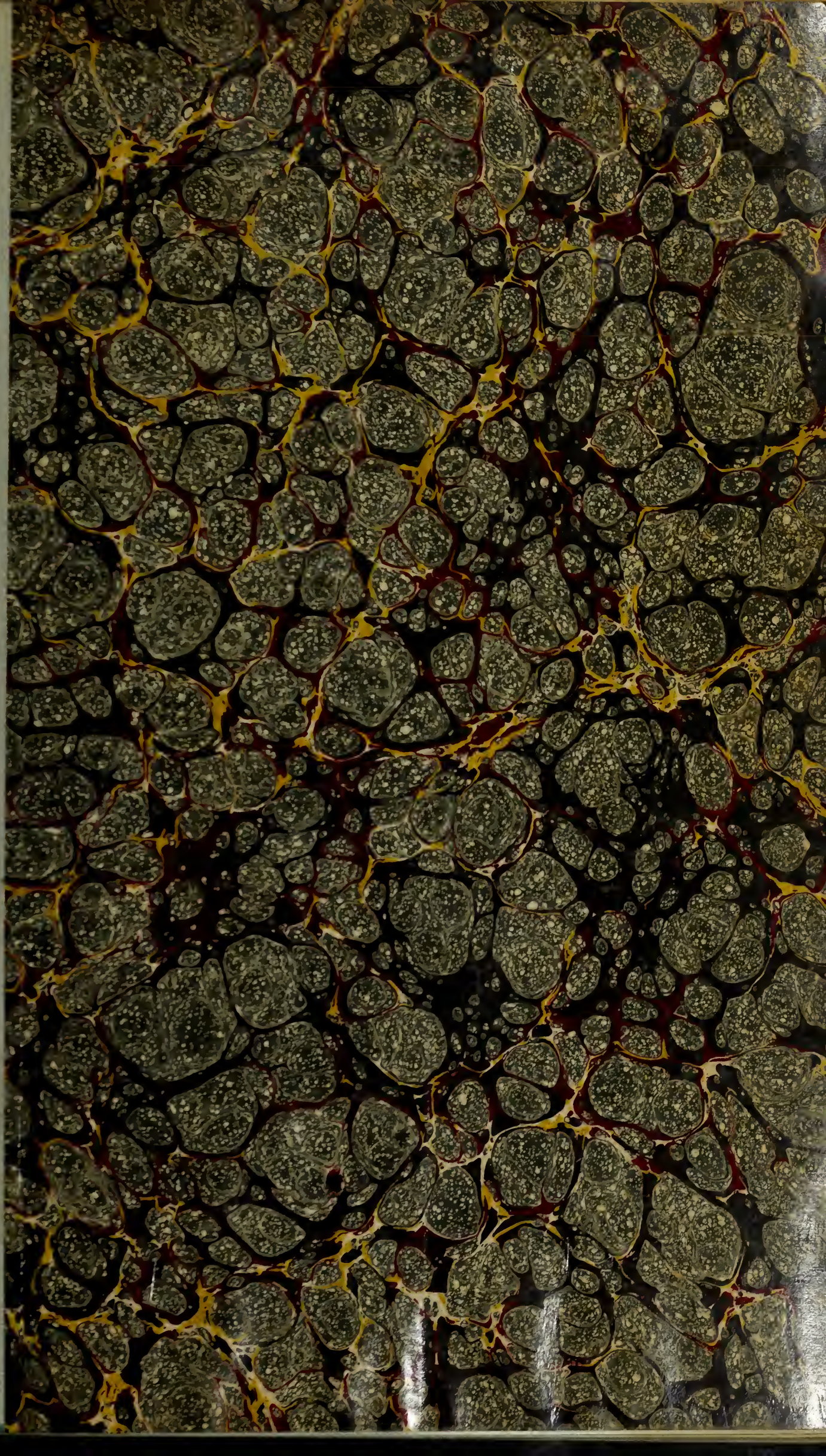

BOSTON, JANUARY 7, 1910

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 3.30 P.M. Present Messrs.Peabody and Prendergast, also present the superintendent and the engineer of the Board. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted reports on the bids received December 24 for constructing a sanitary building at Columbus-avenue Playground, and the reason for delay in making a recommendation; and the superintendent was instructed to obtain a figure from the lowest bidder for substituting tin roofing for shingles.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the amount required to meet the payrolls of the department to the end of the fiscal year; and the matter was referred to the Chairman to communicate with the Mayor.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the bids received December 31 for constructing a sanitary building at Charlestown Playground; and it was

VOTED, to reject the bids, as all of them are in excess of the appropriation, and to readvertise the contract.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the plans of locations of sanitary buildings at Columbus-avenue and Charlestown playgrounds, which were approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from P. G. Rice Company, relative to the bids for the sanitary buildings at Columbus-avenue and Charlestown playgrounds, which was placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report recommending the discharge of four mechanics for inefficiency; and it was

VOTED, to notify them that they will be discharged.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from the Division Engineer of the New York, NewHaven & Hartford Railroad Company, in regard to a fence between the railroad property and Columbus-avenue Playground, and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Board would include an estimate for the same in the next estimate for construction.

The Mayor's approval to the making of a contract with the Hugh Nawn Contracting Company for filling North Brighton Playground without advertising, was received and placed on file.

An order of the Common Council requesting the Board to include in their next annual estimates sums sufficient for a running track at Forest Hills Playground, and a retaining wall and fence at Roslindale Playground, was received and placed on file.

A communication from Annie Tower Tarbell offering to donate a three-

bubble fountain for Commonwealth avenue was received, and the Secretary was directed to acknowledge the same with the thanks of the board, and say that they would endeavor to have the fountain erected by the date named.

A communication to the Mayor from W. S. Nickerson protesting against the terms of the lease compelling the Columbia Yacht Club to pay rent to the city, was received and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the order of the Board of Aldermen requesting that Marcella-street Playground be flooded for skating, which was referred to the Chairman for reply.

VOTED, that the playground in Ward 17, taken May 29, 1909, be named William Eustis Playground.

The Chairman stated that Mr. Pettigrew had informed him that Assistant Superintendent Duncan would resign from the department in March to take a position in the West; and it was

VOTED, not to fill the vacancy and that only one assistant superintendent be employed.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

JANUARY 21, 1910

Proposals for sanitary building at Billings Field and gateways and gates Ward 17 Playground - see page 5

BOSTON, JANUARY 31, 1910

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 3.30 P.M. Present Messrs.Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also present the superintendent and the engineer of the Board.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of Rev. H.R.O'Donnell, for the use of North Brighton Playground for a field day on June 17; and it was

VOTED, to grant the same under the direction and control of the superintendent of parks.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of Harris Rosenthal for the renewal of his agreement as to the care of the dump on the Strandway; and the matter was referred to the superintendent to see if Rosenthal will erect and maintain adequate fences.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the Mayor's circular regarding Union wages for mechanics; and the superintendent was directed to conform to the Mayor's instructions.

The Superintendent submitted a report on Mr. Duncan's resignation as assistant superintendent of parks, also sundry applications for the position of assistant superintendent; and it was

VOTED, that the resignation of Mr. Duncan be accepted, and that Mr. Shea be assistant superintendent of the entire department, under the direction of the superintendent.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the transfer of William F. Conklin to the Water Department; and the superintendent 's action was approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the condition of the appropriations for sanitary buildings, with suggested transfers; and the chairman was instructed to submit the matter to the Mayor and City Council, with request for additional appropriations.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the proposals for gateways and gates at Ward 17 Playground, and sanitary building at Billings Field, received January 21; and the matters were laid over pending efforts to obtain further appropriations.

Communications from Joseph Balch and Henry W. Kelley, regarding land for a playground in Ward 19, were received; and the chairman was authorized to offer $40,000 for the Bleiler land.

The Superintendent submitted a report regarding the purchase of six horses, and putting the men on two-thirds or three-fourths time, the expense of which was provided for by the City Auditor by transfer from unexpended balances of appropriations, with the approval of the Mayor.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from R.C. Sturgis relative to the granolithic walk at the William E. Russell School, which was referred to the chairman for reply.

An opinion from the Law Department on land takings under section 31 of the charter amendments was received and placed on file.

An order of the City Council, transferring the care and custody of Trinity Triangle from the park commissioners to the superintendent of public grounds, was received and placed on file.

A request of A. S. Allen, machinist, for a hearing with reference to his notice of discharge, was received and laid over.

VOTED, to award the contract for building a sanitary and locker building on Columbus-avenue Playground to Daniel L. Shepard, the lowest bidder.

The action taken at the last meeting rejecting the bids for sanitary building at Charlestown Playground and readvertising the contract was rescinded; and it was

VOTED, to award the contract for constructing a sanitary building on

Charlestown Playground to the P. G. Rice Company, the lowest bidder, deducting the allowance of $350.00 for artificial stone from the contract price.

A communication from Hon. John F. Fitzgerald, enclosing a letter of A.M. Beale, proposing a playground site on the J. H. Beale estate, Ward 16, already acknowledged by the Chairman, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the Finance Commission acknowledging the Chairman's letter relative to old employees, was received and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted the correspondence between Henry F. Bryant and Mr. Putnam regarding the approval of the plan of proposed junction of Long avenue with Commonwealth avenue; and it was

VOTED, to approve the same, the Chairman to endorse said approval on the plan.

The Chairman was instructed to notify the Fire Commissioner that the Board cannot accede to the transfer of land in Oak Square to the fire department as a site for an engine house.

The Superintendent was instructed to continue the filling at North Brighton Playground, under the Nawn contract, so far as the appropriation will allow.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, FEBRUARY 10, 1910

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 3.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew.

The Superintendent reported that Dr. Austin Peters recommended the sale of five horses, in the purchase of three new ones, an allowance of $425 to be made in the trade; and it was

VOTED, that the Chairman request the authority of the Mayor for the sale of the horses, and to authorize the superintendent to purchase three new horses.

The Chairman was authorized to send a communication to the Mayor in relation to additional appropriations for the completion of the playground sanitary buildings and improvement of various playgrounds.

The meeting was adjourned to February 21 at 3.30 P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

JANUARY 21, 1910

The following proposals for erecting a sanitary building at Billings Field and for gateways and gates at William Eustis Playground were received and opened at 64 Pemberton square, at 3 P.M., a representative from the Mayor's office being present:

		Shingles		Tile
Holmes Building Company	(1)	$5395	(1)	$5835
J. P. Foley	(2)	5485	(3)	6085
Antony Varnerin	(3)	5650	(2)	5990
Whitcomb and Kavanagh		6757		6980
Hapgood and Frost		7187		7487
Lawler Brothers		7543		7902

PROPOSALS FOR WARD 17 GATEWAYS AND GATES

John F. Griffin and Company	(1)	1461	312
P. G. Rice, Company	(2)	1475	407
Antony Varnerin	(3)	2355	440

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, FEBRUARY 21, 1910

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 3.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report giving a list of plants needed for the nursery and playground planting; and it was

VOTED, to approve the same and authorize the superintendent to purchase them.

The Superintendent submitted a report on his interview with Chairman Sullivan of the Finance Commission, relative to employees, and copy of letter to Finance Commission with a statement of the number of employees sixty years and over, classified as to length of service, age, etc. The letter was placed on file and the Chairman was instructed to ask the Corporation Counsel what rights the Finance Commission have to summon subordinates of the department and obtain information from them without notification to the commissioners.

The Superintendent submitted a report recommending increases in pay of skilled and deserving employees, which was laid over.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of J. M. Landers to run a telephone wire across Chestnut Hill Park while the matter of placing a conduit underground is pending; and the secretary was instructed to reply that the Board will give a temporary location for two months.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the extension of his privilege to Mr. Harris Rosenthal, at the Strandway dump; and it was

VOTED, to extend the privilege for six months.

The Superintendent submitted a report of his interview with Dr. Harrington relative to appropriations for playground apparatus, and the superintendent was instructed to inform Dr. Harrington that the commissioners are adverse to the School Committee's asking for appropriations for the Park Department.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the complaint of George W. Wheelwright of water's flooding the street at the point where Centre and Prince streets join the parkway; and the secretary was instructed to reply.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of S. I. Hudgens to keep burros for hire at Marine Park; and it was

VOTED, to permit S. I. Hudgens to keep burros for hire at Marine Park, for this season, provided that the length of ride and the burros and their equipment are satisfactory to the superintendent of parks.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the protests received against filling Dabney Pond in Franklin Park; and it was

VOTED, to take the matter under consideration and visit the pond.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the damaged condition of the McKenzie Beach bathhouse on the Strandway; and the secretary was instructed to write the chairman of the Bath Trustees, to say that plans for restoring or reerecting the bathhouse should be submitted to the Board for approval.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the plans for the improvement of the West Third street and West Fifth street playgrounds; and it was

VOTED, to expend the balance of the appropriation in grading, surfacing, loaming and planting said playgrounds.

The Superintendent submitted a report recommending the purchase of pumps and tanks for the new oil house at Franklin Park; and the matter was referred to the superintendent to secure further proposals if possible.

A communication from the Railroad Commissioners, in answer to the petition for additional service at Wood Island Park station on the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad, was received; and the secretary was instructed to

notify the petitioners of the Railroad Commissioner's answer.

A communication from Henry W. Kelly, declining, for Mr. Bleiler, the offer of $40,000 for his land, was received and placed on file.

A communication from Robert W. Sproul, received through the Mayor, offering the Burkhardt property in Ward 19 for a playground, was received and referred to the Chairman to report to the Mayor.

Executive Circular No. 1, in reference to the departments' paying charges for water used by them, was received and placed on file.

Executive Circular No. 2, in reference to granting leave of absence, without loss of pay, to employees whose services can be dispensed with, on all legal holidays, was received; and it was

VOTED, that the superintendent allow holidays as directed by the Mayor.

The approval of the Mayor to the extension of the Nawn contract for filling at North Brighton Playground, was received and placed on file.

A communication from John C. McDonough, Park Department Union 12435 A.F. of L. to the Mayor, requesting that park men be given full time, was received and placed on file.

A communication from Al Winn relative to the location of a baseball park between L and M streets on the Strandway, was referred to the superintendent for report; and the secretary was instructed to ask the Corporation Counsel whether the restrictions on the land interfere with the project.

A communication from William H. Richards, relative to the use of felsite on the park roads, was received and referred to the superintendent for report.

A communication was received from George P. Beckford, of the West Roxbury Citizen's Association, relative to plans and location of Billings Field sanitary building, which was referred to the chairman for reply.

A communication from the Dorchester Gentlemen's Driving Club, requesting a hearing on extending the speedway, was received and the chairman was instructed to reply.

Requests for a hearing from Thomas M. Walsh, Arthur S. Allen, Erwin C. White and George A. Field, suspended pending a hearing on their discharge, were received; and the superintendent was instructed to give them another trial.

A communication from the Secretary of Boston-1915, relative to plan for enlarging the Directorate of Boston-1915, so as to give direct representation to all the organizations engaged in work for the betterment of the city, was received and referred to the chairman for reply.

VOTED, to instruct the superintendent to open the ground for planting the trees in Commonwealth avenue at the earliest time possible in carrying out the plan authorized by the Board.

BOSTON, FEBRUARY 28, 1910

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 3.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on and an estimate of the cost of extending the speedway, as petitioned for by the Dorchester Gentlemen's Driving Club, which were referred to the Chairman to send the estimate to the Club.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from William R. Richards relative to the use of felsite on park roads, which was placed on file.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary, transmitting a list of improvements recommended by the citizens' associations and others at the recent public hearings held by the Mayor, was received and referred to the Superintendent for report.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary, relative to the request of the Board for additional appropriations for completion of the sanitary buildings, was received and placed on file.

A communication from Corporation Counsel Thomas M. Babson, relative to the powers of the Finance Commission in summoning assistants of departments, was received and referred to the Chairman to write to the chairman of the Finance Commission.

A communication from Corporation Counsel Thomas M. Babson, relative to the proposed baseball park in South Boston adjoining the Strandway, was received and referred to the Chairman to write to the New England Association of Professional Baseball Clubs.

A communication from Henry J. Bowen relative to the city's securing the Felton Distillery lot as a substitute for the West Fifth-street Playground, was received and placed on file.

The question of increase of wages of mechanics and others in the department was referred to the chairman and the superintendent.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, MARCH 7, 1910

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A communication from George P. Beckford, relative to the location of Billings Field shelter building, was received and referred to the Chairman for reply.

A communication from Patriok McKenzie, Secretary Park Assembly 7576, Knights of Labor, requesting full time for park department men, was received and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from the City Messenger, requesting permits for fireworks on Strandway Playground, and a cross-country run from M-street Playground, through Marine Park and Columbia Road, to Edward Everett Square, on March 17, also requesting that M-street Playground be put in order for games on that day; and it was

VOTED, to grant the request.

A communication from Desmond Fitzgerald, relative to tree planting on Commonwealth avenue, also petitions from residents of Commonwealth avenue and others, requesting that the two-row plan of planting be adhered to, were received and referred to the Chairman for reply.

VOTED, that the superintendent be directed by the Board to proceed digging the holes for the transfer of trees on Commonwealth avenue forthwith, in accordance with the vote of the Board previously made, and to make the transfer of said trees as promptly thereafter as the conditions of the weather will permit.

A communication from the Finance Commission, in reply to a letter from the Chairman, relative to summoning department subordinates, also a communication from the Corporation Counsel relative to the powers of the Board in fixing the pay of employees, were received and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report recommending the putting of the men on full time; and it was

VOTED, to instruct the superintendent to put the men on full time.

Communications from L. K. Marston, relative to claims for extra work on the contract for Cottage-street sanitary building, and from James R. Carret relative to assessment for gypsy moth on the land taken from the Heirs of William Worthington, for Savin Hill Park, were received and referred to the superintendent.

BOSTON, MARCH 15, 1910

A hearing was given in the old Aldermanic Chamber, City Hall, at 4 P.M., on the petition of those who desired to remonstrate against the proposed action of the commissioners in regard to the trees on Commonwealth avenue; those who favored that action were also heard. Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley.

Mr. Arthur D. Hill represented the petitioners who favored the two-row plan, and Mr. Roger F. Sturgis the advocates of the four-row plan.

A report of the hearing and many letters favoring or opposing the proposed action are on file.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, MARCH 16, 1910

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 3.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report in regard to additional water supply for Pine Bank Building, recommending an appropriation of $700 out of maintenance for the purpose; and it was

VOTED, to approve the superintendent's recommendation.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the purchase of a new 6-ton roller, recommending the acceptance of an offer of the Buffalo Steam Roller Company, and the matter was referred to the superintendent to see what further offers can be obtained.

The Superintendent submitted a report on road surfacing; and it was

VOTED, that advertisement be made for furnishing trap-rock.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the application of E.J.Tomlin for a continuance of his concession on the Strandway; and it was

VOTED, that the concession to Edward J. Tomlin, to occupy the pavilion on the Strandway at L-street, to,sell light refreshments therein, be extended for one year from date, at the rental of $100.00 per annum, and the further consideration that said Tomlin keeps the said premises neat and clean, and furnishes between May 1 and October 1 the labor necessary to pick up stray papers on the Strandway between K and M streets.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the application of R. G. Stowell for a continuance of his boat service at Jamaica Pond; and it was

VOTED, that, with the approval of the Mayor, Ralph G. Stowell be granted the privilege of maintaining and operating for hire a public boat service, and of selling light refreshments, including confectionery and fruit (except bananas, water melons and unshelled peanuts), at the boat landing at Jamaica Pond, for the season of 1910; on condition that he pay to the city on or before July 1, the sum of fifty dollars for said privilege, furnish an equipment of boats and landing facilities equal to those furnished heretofore, keep his premises for the sale of refreshments clean and tidy, lock the gate and oars up at night, and allow no one the use of the boats early in the morning unless an attendant is on duty: all of said service to be under the supervision of the police, and to be subject to revocation if the business is not carried on to the satisfaction of this board.

The approval of the Mayor to the request of the Board for the appointment of Arthur A. Shurtleff as landscape architect to the board, was received; and it was

VOTED, to employ Arthur A. Shurtleff, landscape Architect, as advisor to the commission, on a salary at the rate of $1000 per year.

An order of the City Council in reference to placing laborers on a permanent basis, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the United Improvement Association relative to placing identification maps in the parks, was received and referred to the superintendent to submit a plan to carry out the suggestion.

A communication from Clifford A. Blackman with reference to the improvement of the cinder path in the vicinity of Jamaica Pond, was received and referred to the superintendent for report.

Communications from Guy Cunningham and others in favor of the four-row plan on Commonwealth avenue, were received and placed on file.

The Superintendent was authorized to arrange the drawing for teams on Friday, March 18, in accordance with the usual procedure.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the Orient Heights playground; and the superintendent was instructed to look into the matter of filling as suggested by him, and report to the Board.

The Superintendent was instructed to obtain proposals for an automobile for the use of Assistant Superintendent Shea and report to the Board.

The Superintendent submitted a report from Mr. Putnam on Bresnahan Brothers' claim for extra work performed at the locker building, Cottage-street Playground, presented by L.K.Marston, Contractor, which was referred to the superintendent to investigate the matter further and report to the Board.

VOTED, unanimously, that the Board adhere to the four-row plan of tree planting on Commonwealth avenue already adopted, and that the carrying out of the work proceed at once.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary.

BOSTON, MARCH 25, 1910

The following proposals for furnishing trap-rock were received and opened at 64 Pemberton square, at 3 P.M., a representative from the Mayor's office being present:

	Commonwealth avenue Between Brookline & Brighton avenues	Fens and Riverway Between Agassiz Road and Huntington avenue
Old Colony Broken Stone & Concrete Co.	$1.75 per ton	$1.65 per ton
The Lane Quarry Company	1.80 " "	1.80 " "

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, MARCH 26, 1910

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 9.30 A.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the order of the City Council requesting the Board to establish a convenience station and equip the playground on the Strandway with suitable lockers, which was referred to the Chairman to report the cost of the same to the Mayor.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of the Boston Athletic Association to use Commonwealth avenue for the finish of the Marathon Race, April 19; and the secretary was instructed to reply.

The Superintendent submitted a report requesting authority to put twenty of the suspended men at work; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the superintendent to put twenty of the men to work.

The Superintendent submitted a report on increases in wages of employees, which was laid over.

The Mayor's approval to the increase of pay for Thomas Dillon, chauffeur of the superintendent's automobile; also communication from the Mayor's secretary relative to passage of order appropriating funds for deficiencies in appropriations for completion of work on sanitary buildings, etc.,in the various playgrounds; and City Council order appropriating $4500 for the completion of the locker building in Franklin Field, were received and placed on file.

The claim of Bresnahan Brothers, through L. K. Marston, contractor, for extra work on the Cottage-street Playground building, was placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted tenders and prices for automobiles for Assistant Superintendent Shea; and it was

VOTED, to request the Mayor's approval to the purchase of a Columbia car for $2475, without advertising for bids.

Proposals for a portable boiler for spray-wagon were received; and it was

VOTED, to accept the bid of Robb-Mumford Boiler Company, at $180.

A request of E. M. Richardson for the use of Rogers Park for a Field Day on June 11, was received; and it was

VOTED, to grant the request.

VOTED, that the following notice be adopted and posted in the Franklin Park Library reading-room: "Conversation and practices annoying to readers forbidden."

On request of the Woman's Municipal League it was

VOTED, to permit the temporary use of so much of the Overlook Building, Franklin Park, as was occupied last year, for the open-air school for anaemic children.

VOTED, that the salary of Assistant Superintendent James B. Shea be fixed at the rate of twenty-five hundred dollars per annum, subject to the approval of the Mayor.

The proposals for trap-rock received on March 25 were referred to the superintendent for report.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secretary

BOSTON, APRIL 5, 1910

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at 64 Pemberton square, at 4.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Messrs. George B. Morison, L. M. Stockton and Charles H. Carter, a committee of the Boston Athletic Association, came before the Board to request the Board to reverse its decision not to permit the Marathon Run on April 19 to go through Commonwealth avenue.. Mr. Morison stated that the committee desired this action because Commonwealth avenue is the natural place for it, and that the action of the Board had placed the committee in such straights that it does not know where to go. To change the race makes many complications. It has been held for thirteen years, and is getting to be of real importance; everybody knows the record for the distance. We want to make the same standard race and do not want to change the course as we should have to remeasure the beginning of the race in order to have it end at the clubhouse, where we have a large corps of doctors to look after the men who are exhausted and need immediate attention. The point seems to be to preserve the young grass and trees, and we ought to be able to do this to your satisfaction. Captain Jones says he could do it if he can get extra men, and Superintendent Pierce says he will give him seventy-five more men. There were 200 police before, who were distributed along the course out to St.Mary's street. Superintendent Pierce would agree to put a man at each tree if necessary. The Boston police have been able to do what they tried to do. It is proposed to rope off the grass plot wholly and only allow the public on the sidewalks.

The Board took the matter under consideration; and, subsequently, saw Police Commissioner O'Meara, and addressed a letter to the Boston Athletic Association, permitting the race on certain conditions.

A communication from City Conveyancer R. P. Owen, transmitting an agreement from Thomas A. Forsyth placing restrictions upon certain parcels of land on the Fenway, and bounded by a strip of land in which the City holds an easement, by a passageway and by land of Wellington and others, Trustees; and it was

VOTED, to accept the said agreement and to send the same to the City Auditor to be filed in the Registry of Deeds.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the proposals received for a steam roller to take the place of the old six-ton roller, which is out of commission, recommending that the offer of the Buffalo Steam Roller Company,

to furnish a new six-ton double drive tandem roller for $2150 and allow $500 for the old Pioneer roller, be accepted; and it was

VOTED, to request the Mayor for authority to make a contract with the Buffalo Steam Roller Company to purchase a six-ton steam roller, without advertising for proposals, and to make said exchange.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the application of the Boston Elevated Railway Company for the construction of double tracks in Columbia Road at its junction with Geneva avenue; and it was

VOTED, that permission be and it is hereby granted to the West End Street Railway Company to construct, maintain and use an addition to its existing locations in the parkway on Columbia Road at its junction with Geneva avenue, double curved tracks at the easterly corner; together with double tracks crossing Columbia Road in the line of Geneva avenue, so far as the jurisdiction of this board may extend, all as shown by red lines on plan of A. L. Plimpton, Civil Engineer, dated March 19, 1910, and filed with the petition for this permit, together with all necessary curves, cross-overs, switches and connections.

Also that permission be given said Company to establish and maintain the overhead single trolley electric system of motive power in the operation of its cars on said new tracks, and to erect, maintain and use the necessary poles, as indicated by red dots on the aforesaid plan, also wires, appliances and electrical appliances and apparatus and to make the underground and surface alterations of the streets necessary for that purpose.

Said Company shall pave the track locations and eighteen inches outside of same with the best quality of vitrified brick laid on a concrete foundation, and keep the same in good condition, satisfactory to the Park Commissioners; shall place all feed wires under the surface of the ground; shall not suffer or permit any person to place or keep wires on said poles or upon the fixtures thereto affixed without permission being first obtained in writing from this board; shall not remove the tracks or poles located under this permit until, and shall remove them and restore the surface of the ground to a condition satisfactory to this Board when directed by this Board soto do; and that in continued violation of any of the foregoing requirements, after notice, said Board may remove said tracks or poles at the expense of said Company.

All work done under this permit shall be done to the satisfaction of the Board of Park Commissioners. No work shall be done under this permit until said Company shall furnish a bond for ten thousand dollars with surety, in form satisfactory to the Corporation Counsel, conditioned to save the city

harmless from any loss, cost, or damage in any way arising from the privileges granted by this permit and any work to be done thereunder, and to fulfil its obligations under the provisions of this permit.

A communication from the Bath Department, stating that it is intended to restore the bathhouse at the so-called McKenzie Beach on the Strandway, was received and laid over pending the receipt of plans from the Bath Trustees, showing the restoration proposed.

M. F. Clarke.
Secretary

BOSTON, APRIL 23, 1910

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 9.30 A.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Prendergast, also present Superintendent Pettigrew.

The Chairman submitted a report from the Superintendent to the Board, in answer to a letter from the Mayor's office, asking for a report on shade trees, referred to in resolutions passed by the Society of Architects, together with the Chairman's letter transmitting the same to the Mayor, which was approved.

A communication from D. L. Prendergast, in reference to the filling of Orient Heights Playground, asking if any damage will result from said filling to land of the Elevated Railway Company, was received and a reply to the same, prepared by the Chairman, was sent to Mr. Prendergast.

A communication from the Boston Athletic Association, regarding arrangements for the Marathon Race, and accepting the conditions imposed by the Board, was received and placed on file.

A communication from F. L. Olmsted, in referenceto visiting the parks in company with Mr. Shurtleff, for the purpose of indicating work necessary to be done to carry out the original plans, was received and referred to the chairman.

Sundry communications, written at the instance of Joseph Lee, urging the equipment of playgrounds in preference to other work, for the expenditure of the additional appropriation of $20,000, were received and placed on file.

A communication from the Mayor's secretary, asking the Board to call a conference between the park, public grounds, art and music departments, with

a view to submitting suggestions for the use of the income of the Parkman Fund this year, was received and referred to the Chairman.

A communication from A. L. Rafter, Assistant Superintendent of Schools, in reference to the use of the toilets at the Refectory, Franklin Park, was received and referred to the Superintendent.

A communication from the Lamp Department, in reference to shifting nineteen arc lamp posts to new locations on Commonwealth avenue, was received and referred to the Superintendent for further inquiry and report.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, MAY 2, 1910

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 3.30 P.M. Present Messrs Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew.

The Board organized by electing a chairman and a secretary for the ensuing year. The question on the election of a chairman being put by the secretary, Mr. Prendergast voted for Mr. Peabody, Mr. Coakley voted for Mr. Peabody, Mr. Peabody voted for Mr. Peabody.

The question on the election of a secretary being put, Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, severally, voted for George F. Clarke.

VOTED, that the Chairman be authorized to approve drafts and bills and to sign contracts on behalf of the Board.

VOTED, that Mr. Prendergast be chairman pro tem.,and be authorized to approve drafts and bills in the absence of the chairman.

VOTED, that in the absence of the chairman and the chairman pro tem., Mr. Coakley act as chairman pro tem.,and be authorized to approve drafts and bills.

The records of the last meeting and of special meeting of April 5 were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from the Boston Transit Commission, in reference to the amount of surplus earth from the tunnel available for filling purposes, and the use of same for filling low marsh land in the Fens, which was placed on file.

A note from Matthew Hale relative to the $20,000 increase of the appro-

priation for the park department, and the conditions under which the increase was voted by the executive committee of the City Council, was received and placed on file.

The following proposals for leasing the Head House, from January 1,1911, were received and referred to the Superintendent for report:

Candelora DeLuca	South Boston	5 years' lease	$1700	per annum
C. A. Bova	" "	5 " "	1400	" "
C. A. Bova (Park Commissioners to do all repairs and furnish coal for heating toilet rooms)		5 " "	2000	" "
Frank C. Healy & Company	South Boston	3 " "	500	" "

The Superintendent submitted a report recommending the discharge of George A. Field, steam-roller engineer, for intemperance and inattention to work; and the Secretary was directed to notify him that he will be discharged for the reason stated.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of the Boston Work-Horse Parade Association for permission to hold its annual parade on Commonwealth avenue; and it was

VOTED, to permit the Boston Work-Horse Parade Association to use Commonwealth avenue, from the junction of Beacon street to a point half a mile west of Cottage Farm Bridge, for the formation of its parade, and the south side of the avenue to Massachusetts avenue for the parade on Memorial Day, between 7'30 A.M. and 3 P.M.; also to construct a grandstand on Commonwealth avenue west of Brookline avenue, as in former years, also to place standards along side the curbing; said stand to be removed as soon as may be after the parade, and the grounds cleaned up and left in a condition satisfactory to the superintendent of parks: the arrangement of the parade to be carried out under the direction of the police.

Executive Circular No. 7, requesting a list of all important improvements, paid for from loans or special appropriations, discontinued from lack of funds, was received and referred to the Superintendent for report.

The Superintendent reported that he had made arrangements for fly casting in the Fens, as requested by Dr. F. W. Johnson.

The Chairman was authorized to sign the applications of J. J. Downey and T. N. Griffin, for special police authority in connection with their duties in the park department.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of the Women's Municipal League for the use of certain rooms in Fort Independence, for classes for anaemic children; and the chairman was instructed to reply that the Board has no objection to the use of the rooms as proposed, or the erection of a tent if desired.

A communication from Frank J. Gethro stating what arrangements he is making for starting the boat service at Marine Park, was received and placed on file.

A request of the Norumbega and Norwegian societies of Boston for permission to decorate the statue of Leif Erickson on May 17, was received; and it was

VOTED, that the Norumbega and Norwegian societies of Boston be permitted to decorate the statue of Leif Erickson, on Commonwealth avenue, on May 17th, with American and Norwegian colors in flags, shields, wreaths, etc.,as the appointed committee may find appropriate and in conformity with the customary celebration of the Norwegian constitution of 1814.

The Superintendent stated that he had made an appointment to meet Dr. Minot and Miss Hyams, at the refectory, regarding their requests for gardens for the Hospital School children; and the Superintendent was instructed to authorize boxes to be placed on the building for that purpose.

Wm. F. Solander
Secretary

BOSTON, MAY 20, 1910

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 3.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Prendergast, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Superintendent was instructed to report as to the amount of filling required on the Fens, and whether it is desirable to accept the offer of the Transit Commission of dirt fromthe Beacon Hill tunnel, at fifteen cents per cubic yard, or to await the chance of getting it when the embankment tunnel is constructed.

A communication from F. C. Healy, requesting a hearing as to the lease of the Head House, was received; and the Secretary was instructed to reply that the Board is unable to give the time for a hearing and ask him to put in writing what he has to say.

A proposal from Salim N.Ayoub for leasing the Head House, received subsequently to the time advertised for receiving proposals, was read and placed on file.

The Chairman was instructed to write to the Mayor as to his wishes regarding the exclusion of automobiles from the park system.

The Secretary was instructed to ask the City Auditor whether the appropriations of $5000 from the Parkman Fund for studying plans for a Zoo and Aquarium are available without further approval from the Mayor; and it was

VOTED, to instruct the Superintendent to study plans for the ZOO and Aquarium, with the assistance of Messrs. Shurtleff and Austin. The Chairman reported protests against the Zoo from residents on Seaver street.

The Chairman was instructed to send to the Mayor the list of improvements desirable to ask for in connection with a loan bill, submitted by the Superintendent at the last meeting.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of the Boston Ruskin Club, that a piece of ground be set apart for a colony of trees named for famous men; and the Secretary was instructed to reply, that the Board will determine where this can be done for individual trees.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from K. R. Walsh, requesting a suitable path to the new car stop in front of 1731 Commonwealth avenue; and the Secretary was instructed to reply that the Board will construct a path.

VOTED, to furnish the Chairman, also formerChairman Stratton, with bound volumes of park reports.

A communication received from the Metropolitan Improvement League respecting tree planting on Commonwealth avenue extension, already acknowledged by the Chairman, was placed on file.

A copy of a letter to the Mayor from Professor Carver of Harvard, urging that the Zoo be rather a collection of the known breeds and varieties of domestic and farm animals, was received from the Mayor; and the Secretary was instructed to write to Professor Carver that the Board has received his letter, which will be kept for the consideration and advice of those who may be interested in the matter.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the letter from Emily A.Babb, Assistant Secretary of the Boston Social Union, with reference to improved conditions and equipment on playgrounds, which was referred to the Chairman for reply.

A notice from the City Clerk of Mr. Prendergast's acceptance of the office of commissioner was received and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from ex-Governor Long, as to land which he had for sale near Neponset Playground, which was referred to the Chairman for reply.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the result of his interview with Dr. Minot and Miss Hyams, as to flower boxes and gardens for children at the Franklin Park Refectory, which was placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of the Charlestown Veteran Firemen's Association for the use of the lower part of Charlestown Playground by fire companies, on June 17, was received; and it was

VOTED, to grant the request, also to request the Mayor to assign someone to take charge of the matter of the issuing of permits for merry-go-rounds and other entertainments on said playground, limited to the day preceding and the day following the 17th.

A letter from the United Improvement Association, regarding apparatus for children's playgrounds, and urging the expenditure of part of the $20,000 voted by the council on April 11 to equip playgrounds, was received, and the Chairman was instructed to write to the Mayor in reference to this and similar requests.

The Secretary was instructed to ask the City Auditor what he will pay for from the appropriation of $20,000 additional to the general appropriation for maintenance.

A letter from Louis C. Campbell, and petition from the All Sorts Club of Dorchester, to the Mayor, regarding tennis at Christopher Gibson Playground, together with the Chairman's report to the Mayor, were received and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the letter from Miss Rose Lamb, Chairman Committee on Children of the Women's Municipal League, regarding the fixing up of accommodations at Castle Island, for the use of the open-air school for children; and it was

VOTED, that the Board approves the use of the quarters recommended by the superintendent to be used for an open-air school at Castle Island, provided the Committee pays the expense of fitting up the rooms.

The Chairman was instructed to communicate further with the Mayor in regard to the question of raising wages.

VOTED, to formally approve the action of the Chairman, already informally approved, transferring control of certain beaches to the Bath Trustees, and declining to approve the McKenzie Beach bathhouses, also the Chairman's letters to the Mayor and Finance Commission regarding the necessity of sanitaries and other buildings at the Strandway Playground.

VOTED, that the City Treasurer be requested to pay Mrs. Sarah Perry, widow of Joseph S. Perry, the amount due him on the payrolls of this department.

The correspondence referring to a permit for the Stuart Club to construct a building on the Fenway, was received and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the correspondence with the East Boston Company, relative to filling the playground at Orient Heights; and the Superintendent was instructed to say to the Mayor that the East Boston Company does not wish to fill its land.

A request from the Metropolitan Park Commission for concurrence in deed of conveyance of land to the Boston and Albany Railroad Company in Brighton, was received and the deed was signed in concurrence.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from Rev. William A. Ryan, relative to constructing a granolithic sidewalk in front of the church property on Columbia Road; and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

The resignation of George A. Field of position of steam-roller engineer was received; and the Superintendent was instructed to notify the Civil Service Commission accordingly.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the proposals received for moving the flagpole at Franklin Field; and it was

VOTED, to accept the lowest bid.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request from the Church Home for Children in South Boston, for the use of a roller to roll the playground; and the matter was referred to the Superintendent.

A communication from Mrs. T. M. Clark, a resident opposite the new playground on the Fenway, complaining of the close neighborhood of the playground to her house and of disturbances occurring there, was received and referred to the Chairman for reply.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from the Mayor's secretary, asking whether park employees, members of Knights of Labor Assembly #7576, might have a picnic day this year without loss of pay; and the matter was referred to the Superintendent to try to arrange it.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from the Mayor, through his secretary, relative to portable shelters for the Strandway and other playgrounds; and the matter was referred to the Chairman to confer with Mr. Austin.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the grades at the junction of Avenue Louis Pasteur and the Riverway, which was placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a recommendation for the purchase of two motor cycles for use by the general foreman and the mechanical department, which was referred to the Superintendent to report further.

A communication from Maurice J. O'Connor, requesting permission for an encampment of members of Total Abstinence Societies of Wilkesbarre, Pennsylvania, at Castle Island, during the convention of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of America, which takes place in Boston, August 9 to 13; and it was

VOTED, to grant the request, all the arrangements therefor to be under the direction of the Superintendent of Parks.

A communication from Myer Bloomfield to the Mayor, regarding equipping playgrounds with apparatus, was received and referred to the Chairman to communicate with the Mayor.

The Superintendent submitted a plan for an herbaceous border at Franklin Park, as directed informally by the Board. The plan was generally approved, and the Superintendent was instructed to confer with Mr. Shurtleff as to details of the plan.

VOTED, that the approval already given informally to a scheme of a herbaceous border in the hollow selected in Franklin Park for the purpose, near Seaver street, is formally approved; and that a plan for pools in this neighborhood for water plants be worked out by Messrs. Pettigrew and Putnam, to the approval of the Chairman and Mr. Shurtleff.

VOTED, that Mr. Pettigrew be instructed to have made a survey of the tract near Seaver street, showing position of large trees, outcrops of rock, paths and roads, and indicating contours: this survey to be such as would be needed in designing the details of the zoological garden.

Wm. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, JUNE 24, 1910

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 3 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Prendergast, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

VOTED, that there be paid to G. A. Cahill the sum of five hundred, forty-eight and 25/100 dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done and materials furnished on sanitary building, Mystic Playground, under his

contract dated November 17, 1909, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Mystic Playground, Sanitary and Shelter.

VOTED, to confirm the following votes passed informally June 16,1910:

VOTED, that there be paid to G. A. Cahill the sum of eight hundred and fifty dollars, the same being due under the second approximate estimate of work done and materials furnished on the sanitary building, Mystic Playground, under his contract dated November 17, 1909, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Mystic Playground, Sanitary and Shelter.

VOTED, that there be paid to the Holmes Building Company the sum of seven hundred, thirty-one dollars, the same being due under the first approximate estimate of work done and materials furnished on the sanitary building at Billings Field, under their contract dated April 21, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Billings Field, Sanitary and Shelter.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to the Buffalo Steam Roller Company the sum of sixteen hundred and fifty dollars, the same being for first and final estimate for steam roller bought under contract dated April 26, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that the City Treasurer be requested to pay to Catherine D'Elia, widow of Pasquale D'Elia, the amount due him on the pay rolls of this department.

H. F. Kelaher
Secretary

BOSTON, JUNE 29, 1910

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 3.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Prendergast, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Communications from F. W. Jacobs, Chairman Park and Playground Committee, Roslindale Citizens' Association, relative to apparatus for Roslindale Playground; from Baily L. Page relative to leasing land on Call street, Jamaica Plain; from Mary M. Gately relative to a playground site in the vicinity of Randolph-street Playground; and from R. W. Pigeon, Secretary East Boston Improvement Association, calling attention to the need of better protection at Wood Island Park, were received and placed on file, the Chairman's replies to the same having been approved by the Board.

A request of D. W. Waldron for a series of Fresh Air Fund picnics in Franklin Park, as in former years, was received and placed on file, permission having been granted with the approval of the Board.

A communication from Samuel Barkin in regard to rebate on granolithic walk on Neptune Road, also from the Mayor's secretary in reference to the request of Rev. William A. Ryan for a rebate on the construction of a granolithic walk in front of St. Margaret's Church property on Columbia Road, were received; and the Secretary was instructed to reply that the Board cannot change its rules not to give rebates on granolithic walks.

A request of Flaherty and Higgins to put a float at Wood Island Park, from which to rent rowboats, was received and placed on file, permission to do which having been granted with the approvalof the Board.

A request of the Bath Trustees for permission to erect temporary portable bathhouses at McKenzie Beach, was received, the same having been authorized by the Chairman with the understanding that they would be removed at the end of the season, which was approved by the Board.

A request of the Jamaica Plain Citizens' Association,for sports, fireworks, etc., July 4th, at Jamaica Pond, was received and it was

VOTED, to grant permission, all the arrangements therefor to be satisfactory to the Superintendent of Parks, including police protection, and clearing up the grounds, leaving the same in good condition.

The Chairman was instructed to notify St. Joseph's Athletic Association to remove their boathouse from Charlesbank by October 1.

Requests for bonfires at Marcella-street and Neponset Playgrounds, on the night preceding July 4th, were received and permission granted.

A request of James P. Magenis, for St. Leo's Roman Catholic Parish, to

use Franklin Park and Franklin Field, August 10, for the purpose of holding a children's picnic, was received and placed on file, permission having been given by the Superintendent with the approval of the Board.

An order of the City Council appropriating $10,000 for grading Neponset Playground, was received, and the Superintendent was instructed to advertise for bids for filling.

A communication from Joseph A. Costello, offering to lease land for the enlargement of Ashmont Playground, was received; and the Secretary was instructed to reply, a previous communication, offering to sell the land having been replied to by the Chairman with the approval of the Board.

A communication from the Mayor relative to the exclusion of automobiles from the parkways, also a communication from the Highway Commission in reference to the same, were received; and the following regulations were passed:

Special Regulations Concerning the Exclusion and Use of Motor Vehicles in the Boston Parks and Parkways.

VOTED, that the special regulations, concerning the exclusion and use of motor vehicles in the Boston parks and parkways, adopted July 12, 1909, be and the same are hereby amended by adding the following regulation to be numbered two.

2. Motor vehicles are hereby excluded from the Fenway, Audubon Road, Riverway, Jamaicaway, Francis Parkman Road, Arborway, the parkway side of Columbia Road, and Marine Park.

3. Regulations 2, 3, 4 and 5 are hereby renumbered 3, 4, 5 and 6.

A communication from the Mayor's secretary, acknowledging the Chairman's letter relative to the letter from Myer Bloomfield, as to equipping playgrounds, was received and placed on file.

A license from the Harbor and Land Commissioners to fill in Chelsea Creek for constructing the Orient Heights Playground was received and referred to the Secretary to take such steps as are necessary to make the license effective.

A communication from the Mayor giving authority to employ Messrs. Olmsted and Shurtleff to review the work on the parks, the expense not to exceed $1000, was received; and the Secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Olmsted stating that the Board accepts his proposition provided the expenses, outside the $500 compensation to Messrs.Olmsted, do not exceed $100.

A communication was received from E. N. Foss, offering land on Parker Hill for park purposes; and the Secretary was instructed to reply that the lot is not a desirable lot for a playground, for which reason the Board cannot consider it.

Communications from the Columbia Yacht Club, with reference to placing a gasoline tank on their grounds, were received, and the locationsof the tank and pump were approved and permission to install the same granted.

The sale of a black horse to J. E. Bean, foreman, recommended by the Superintendent, was approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report and recommendation on the bids for trap-rock; and it was

VOTED, to award the contract to the lowest bidder.

A communication from the Music Department relative to band concerts July 4th, at Jamaica Pond, Marine Park and Franklin Field, was received; and it was

VOTED, to grant the same under the usual conditions..

The Superintendent submitted a report on the order of the City Council in regard to re-surfacing Prince-street Playground; and the Secretary was instructed to report to the Mayor the cost of the same.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from the Federation of Labor, in regard to opening the spring wells in Franklin Park, which was referred to the Chairman for reply.

A communication from R. C. Sturgis, in regard to improvements at the Tinsor School and the extension of Short street, was received and placed on file.

An order of the City Council requesting immediate steps towards the selection of a playground site in Ward 7, was received, and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from the Mayor relative to increases in salaries was received and placed on file, the Chairman stating that he had tried to confer with the Mayor.

A communication from the Mayor's office, enclosing an offer of relics at low cost, by Mr. Mohor, was received and placed on file.

VOTED, to discharge William H. Taylor, machinist, for remaining absent from duty after leave of absence was cancelled, he having been notified that he might have a public hearing and not requesting such hearing, and that his name be so certified to the Civil Service Commission.

The application of William E. Fischer for position of planter was received and placed on file, and the secretary was instructed to write to him.

The application of the Boston-1915 Committee for permission to give displays of fireworks in Franklin Field, Marine Park and Wood Island Park, July 4th, was received; and it was

VOTED, to grant the request, all arrangements therefor to be satisfactory to the Superintendent of Parks.

The Mayor's approval to the sale of old buildings on Columbus-avenue Playground was received.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the proposals received for leasing the Head House, Marine Park; and it was

VOTED, to reject the bids and readvertise later for new bids.

Proposals were received on the request of the Mayor that the Park Department arrange to build pavilions on Tenean Beach, McKenzie Beach and Savin Hill Beach, similar in design to the one at the Strandway Playground, as follows:

	Tenean Beach	McKenzie Beach	Savin Hill Beach
Holmes Building Company	$646.00	$646.00	$646.00
James F. Flaherty		555.00	555.00
Hapgood Frost and Company	545.00	545.00	545.00
George A. Cahill	Three shelters $1800		
Wilbur J.,Hatch	492.00	492.00	492.00

and the Secretary was instructed to write the Mayor that if he will provide the money the Board will construct one at Savin Hill Beach, also to notify the Bath Trustees of the bids.

A request of Mary A. McCarthy for pole and flag raising on Marcella-street Playground, July 4th, was received and placed on file.

The application of the Boston-1915 Committee, for use of the playgrounds for athletic meets similar to those held last year under the auspices of the Boston Playground Association, was received;and it was

VOTED, to grant the same, all the arrangements therefor to be satisfactory to the Superintendent of Parks.

A communication from the Mayor's office, with views of the Zoo in Lexington Park, Massachusetts, was received and referred to Mr. Shurtleff.

A communication was sent to the Mayor requesting authority to extend the contract with the Hugh Nawn Contracting Company, for filling at North Brighton Playground.

A communication from R. T. Paine, Jr.,regarding some intersections of important streets with the parkway, was received and referred to the Superintendent for report.

The application of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company, for extension of the temporary permit for overhead wires on Commonwealth avenue to Mr. Landers' house, was received; and it was

VOTED, to extend the permit for six months.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from Mrs. Dunne, to the Mayor, requesting increase of pay for James C. Dunne, carpen-

ter's assistant; and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Daniel L. Shepard the sum of eighteen hundred and seventy-eight and 50/100 dollars, the same being for fourth approximate estimate of work done and materials furnished on the sanitary and locker building on Columbus-avenue Playground, under his contract dated February 3, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Columbus-avenue Sanitary and Lockers.

VOTED, that there be paid to Anthony Waterer, Woking, Surrey, England, the sum of £2.15/0 for his bill for plants, dated March 23, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be paid to Dickson's Nurseries, Chester, England, the sum of £4.10/3 for his bill for plants, dated March 24, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be paid to James Smith & Sons, Chelsea, England, the sum of £18.8/0 for his bill for plants, dated March 24, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be paid to James Veitch and Sons, Ltd., Chelsea, London S.W., the sum of £15.16/0 for his bill for plants, dated March 24, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

The application of the American Fireworks Company, for permission to give a fireworks display at Cottage-street Playground, July 11, was received and referred to the Superintendent.

The proposal of Simpson Brothers Corporation, for building concrete balustrades at Franklin Field, received June 10, 1910, for $4637.00, was rejected, the bid of Emerson and Norris Company, received May 27, for $4191.00, having previously been rejected by agreement of the Board, and the contract readvertised.

Secretary

BOSTON, JULY 15, 1910

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr. Prendergast's office, 87 Milk street, at 10.30 A. M. Present Messrs. Prendergast and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A communication from the Mayor's secretary, enclosing a petition for the appointment of Richard E. Follett as director of the proposed aquarium, was received and placed on file.

An order of the City Council appropriating $20,000 from the income of the Parkman Fund to improve Charlesbank, also a letter from Christopher R. Eliot regarding the same and recommending the installation of bubble fountains and the irrigation of the mounds, were received together with the superintendent's report recommending that this be done; and the superintendent was instructed to begin the work in accordance with his recommendations.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of the Election Commissioners for leave to place voting booths on Fairfield street at Commonwealth avenue, and on Charlestown Playground; and it was

VOTED, to grant the requests.

A communication from the Mayor requesting the Board to advertise for land for a playground site in Ward 19 was received and placed on file.

A communication from the Massachusetts Highway Commission relative to restrictions excluding motor vehicles from the parkways, and request for information as to the relative use of parks and parkways by automobiles and horse-drawn vehicles, to be presented at the hearing to be given by the Highway Commission, was received and referred to the superintendent with instructions to attend the hearing and give such information as may be required.

A communication from D. V. McIsaac requesting information as to the rejection of bids for the lease of the Head House, was received and placed on file.

An order of the City Council relative to the transfer of land bounded by Cambridge, Lincoln and Mansfield streets, Brighton, from the Street to the Park department, was received and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the order of the City Council in reference to a juvenile baseball field at Charlesbank, which was placed on file, a reply having been sent to the Mayor with the approval of the Board.

An order of the City Council in regard to leasing land near Columbus avenue and Dartmouth street, for a neighborhood house, was received and referred to the superintendent for report.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary, stating that the Mayor will provide for the erection of a shelter at Savin Hill Beach, by a transfer from the Reserve Fund, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the City Clerk, requesting information for the City Council, relative to what extra expense would be incurred by the department if holidays are allowed on legal holidays, half-holidays on Saturdays, and two weeks' vacations to all employees not on a yearly basis, was received and a reply was sent to the City Council.

A communication from the Law Department relative to the proposed exchange of land with the Winsor School and relocation of Berners Square was received, and a communication with reference to the same was sent to the Mayor.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from the Mayor's Secretary, regarding the selection of a playground site in Ward 7, and the matter was referred to the Superintendent to advertise for land.

The Superintendent submitted a report on Frank J. Gethro's manner of carrying on the boat service at Marine Park, which was read and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report, stating that a gasoline motor boat, not under Government regulations or inspection, has been carrying passengers to islands, boathouses and yachts in the harbor . Mr. Pettigrew stated that the motor boat belonged to O. L. Baker, whose request for permission to land at the public landing was received; and it was

VOTED, not to grantthe request.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to G. A. Cahill the sum of nine hundred fifty-seven and 10/100 dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done and materials furnished on sanitary building and shelter at Roslindale Playground, under his contract dated November 17, 1909, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Roslindale Playground Sanitary.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to G. P. Rice Company the sum of four hundred two and 90/100 dollars, being for fourth approximate estimate of work done and materials furnished on sanitary building on Charlestown Playground, under its contract dated February 3, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment;

said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Charlestown Playground Sanitary.

VOTED, that there be paid to the Holmes Building Company the sum of one thousand seven hundred thirty-four dollars, the same being for second approximate estimate of work done and materials furnished on the sanitary building on Billings Field Playground under its contract dated April 21, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Billings Field Sanitary and Shelter.

VOTED, that the special regulations concerning the exclusion and use of motor vehicles in the Boston parks and parkways, adopted June 29, 1910, be and the same are hereby amended by adding at the endof rule numbered two the words,- except that said vehicles may use said ways and roads in going by the shortest route from the nearest public way to some building located on said roads or ways and returning therefrom by the shortest route to the nearest public way.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, July 27, 1910

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr. Prendergast's office, 87 Milk street, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Prendergast and Coakley. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The following proposals for filling Neponset Playground, received July 20, were laid over:

	Price	Time	Amount
Fred S. & A. D. Gore	$0.50 per cu.yd.	1 year	14,000 cu.yds.
Thomas McMann	.49 " "	14 weeks	14,000 "
*John H. Winsloe Co.	.68 " "	Jan.1, 1911	10,000 "

*No copy of proposal filed with the City Auditor

A communication from the Mayor's office, in reference to a parade of all the organized forces of the city's workmen, in November, and requesting information in regard to its feasibility and cost, was received and referred to the Superintendent for report.

A communication from the Mayor's office, enclosing bill of John C. Kiley for services in connection with land for a playground in Brighton, was received and consideration of the matter was postponed until Mr. Peabody's return.

A report from the Superintendent, recommending the appropriation of $155.00

for a new piano, at the Women's Division, Charlesbank, was received and laid over.

A report from the Superintendent on the request of James Sweeney, that he be given thirty days' leave of absence, and James H. Kelley, that he be put on an annual basis, was received; and it was

VOTED, that James Sweeney, shepherd, and James H. Kelley, janitor, be employed on an annual basis at their present rate of compensation.

A communication from John J. Merrigan, in regard to the Head House lease, was received and placed on file.

VOTED, that there be paid to G. A. Cahill the sum of six hundred eighty-four and 25/100 dollars, being for fourth approximate estimate of work done and materials furnished on sanitary building on Mystic Playground, under his contract dated November 17, 1909, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Mystic Playground, Sanitary and Shelter.

VOTED, that there be paid to Wilbur J. Hatch the sum of three hundred ninety-nine and 50/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on shelter at Savin Hill Beach Playground, under his contract dated July 8, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, to approve the list of concerts submitted by the Music Trustees, and to authorize the contracts to be given in the parks and playgrounds, under the usual conditions.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secretary

BOSTON, AUGUST 4, 1910

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr. Prendergast's office, 87 Milk street, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Prendergast and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report recommending the rejection of the bids for filling Neponset Playground, and that a price of forty cents per cubic yard for filling be offered to all comers; and it was

VOTED, to reject all the bids for filling Neponset Playground, and to

advertise for filling to be delivered there at forty cents per cubic yard.

The Superintendent submitted a report recommending changes in the Billings Field sanitary building, to provide shower baths at a cost of about $300.00; and it was

VOTED, to approve the changes and authorize the expenditure of three hundred dollars therefor from maintenance account.

The Superintendent reported on the application of James Wilkie for permission to maintain a carriage stand opposite the new Algonquin Club on Commonwealth avenue, recommending adverse action, for the reason that to establish a stand there would be a decided onstruction to the traffic on the avenue. The request was refused, and the Secretary was instructed to notify Mr.Wilkie that the board is obliged to refuse his request.

The Superintendent submitted a report stating that the Mayor had informed him, that, if the board would pave Prince-street Playground with brick, he would provide funds for the same at the end of the year; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the superintendent to have the work done.

The Superintendent submitted a report on conditions at Savin Hill Beach bathhouse, with reference to the wearing of improper bathing suits, which was laid over.

A request of James S. Mahoney and other residents of Ward 19, for a hearing on the proposed playground for the Parker Hill District, was received and laid over.

Proposals for land for a playground in Ward 19 were received as follows:

E. N. Foss, any part of lot, as per plan, on Parker Hill and Fisher avenue, at 40¢ per square foot.

Myer Queen, 75,640 square feet and stone dwelling house on Station and Gurney streets, at $58,700.00.

Joseph Balch, 90,800 square feet on Heath, Cranford and Basswood streets, and South Huntington avenue, at 50¢ per square foot;

165,900 square feet on Heath, Cranford, and Floyd streets and South Huntington avenue, at 45¢ per square foot;

145,000 square feet, same location, at 45¢ per square foot;

179,000 square feet between Parker Hill avenue and Iroquois street from Darlington to Mission street, at 35¢ per square foot;

37,824 square feet, 1490-1492 Tremont street, with buildings, at $26,000;

16,876 square feet, 1480 Tremont street, with buildings, at $18,000.

William F. Crafts, 79,000 square feet, 779 Huntington avenue, at 70¢ per sq.ft.

Henry W. Kelly, 215,100 square feet, Day street and Grotto Glen, at 20¢ per sq.ft;

336,900 square feet, Heath street, Day street and Grotto Glen, at 20¢ per square foot.

VOTED, that there be paid to Geo. A. Cahill the sum of one hundred seventy-three and 40/100 dollars, being for the fourth approximate estimate of work done and materials furnished on sanitary building at Roslindale Playground, under his contract dated November 17, 1909, and that the Chairman sign a request of the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Roslindale Playground, Sanitary.

VOTED, that there be paid to Daniel L. Shepard the sum of five hundred thirty-one and 25/100 dollars, being for the fifth approximate estimate of work done and materials furnished on sanitary and locker building at Columbus-avenue Playground, under his contract dated February 3, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Columbus-avenue Playground, Sanitary and lockers.

VOTED, that there be paid to Charles A. Borden and Son the sum of one hundred ninety-nine and 50/100 dollars, being for his bill of sand dated July 28,1910, delivered at Savin Hill Beach, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, AUGUST 24, 1910

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 4.15 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Coakley. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from the Mayor's office, in regard to a parade of all the organized forces of the city's workmen, in November; and the report and communication were placed on file, the parade having been abandoned.

A request from Miss Francis G. Curtis, on the behalf of the Commission for Workers for Girls, for the erection of a platform at Charlesbank, for public outdoor dancing, was received and referred to the Superintendent for report as to location and cost.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the use made of the West Fifth and the West Third-street playgrounds, South Boston, recommending the erection of shelters and a little gymnastic apparatus; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the Superintendent to advertise for bids for shelters and sanitaries.

A communication from William R. Richardson, regarding the condition of the paths and mounds at Charlesbank, and the right of the St.Joseph's Athletic Association to maintain a boathouse and give entertainments, was received and referred to the Chairman for reply.

A communication from the Mayor's office, relative to a letter from George P. Beckford regarding shower baths in Billings Field sanitary building, and from William D. Austin in favor of said change,were received and placed on file, the board having already directed that the change be made.

A communication was received from M. J. Murphy, through the Mayor's office, offering land at Mt. Ida, Dorchester, for a playground, which was referred to the Superintendent for report.

Communications were received from Arch Bishop O'Connell, regarding land on Tyler street, and from Edwin Wilcox regarding property at 118 to 134 Harrison avenue, for a playground site, and laid over.

Communications received from H. W. Kelly, Joseph Balch, E. N..Foss, Myer Queen, and William F. Crafts,offering land in Ward 19 for a playground site, also a petition from James S. Mahoney and other residents of Ward 19, for a hearing on the proposed playground for Parker Hill District, which were laid over from the last meeting, were considered and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from John J. Toomey, received through the Mayor's office, regarding mussel beds in Pleasure Bay; and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from John J. Casey, calling attention to the bathing suits worn at Savin Hill and other places, also a petition from Gilman D. Rankin and others, protesting against the ruling of the department as to the style of bathing suit to be worn, were received and laid over.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of the American Fireworks Company for the use of Cottage-street Playground for a fireworks display, August 22 and 29; and it was

VOTED, to grant the request on the same conditions as before.

A communication addressed to the Mayor was received from the Dorchester Gentlemen's Driving Club, requesting that the additional appropriation of $20,000 be expended in extending the speedway, which was referred to the Chairman for reply.

A communication was received from William F. Baldwin, through the Mayor, regarding the condition of Columbis Road sidewalk, with the superintendent's report thereon, which were referred to the Chairman for reply.

The Board approved, on the request of the Art Commission, the placing of the statue of Edward Everett, now in the Public Garden, in the center of Edward Everett Square, Dorchester.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary, enclosing a petition urging the appointment of Richard E. Follett as director of the proposed aquarium, also the application of Louis L. Mowbray for the position, with recommendation, were received and placed on file.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary, relative to equipping Prince-street Playground, also a letter stating that the Mayor approves of the expenditure of $4800 for paving the playground, were received and placed on file.

The Mayor's approval to the letter from the Board relative to the application for increase of pay of James C. Dunne, carpenter, from $2.25 to $3.00 per day, was received; and the matter was laid over pending the Mayor's action on the general list for increase of pay.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from Arthur E.Rowse, relative to automobile signs at Canterbury street entrance to Franklin Park; and the matter was referred to the Chairman for reply.

A communication from A. S. Baker, relative to a small lot of land on Columbia Road at I and East Ninth streets, with inquiry as to price, was received and referred to the Superintendent for report.

A communication from William J. Pope, received through the Mayor, relative to a playground site on Brookford street, Dorchester, was received and referred to the Superintendent for report.

The contract for building a wall and curb on Franklin Field, the bids for which were received August 11, was awarded to the Commonwealth Construction and Supply Company. The bids were as follows:

Frank Williams & Brother	Boston	$2500.00
John A. Rooney	"	2424.00
John F. Griffin Company	"	2350.00
Commonwealth Construction & Supply Company	"	1757.00

The following bids were received for two 3-bubble granite drinking fountains:

		Polished	
John Harrington	Boston	$329	$254
Long & Saunders	Quincy		260
Austin Ford & Son	Cambridgeport	340	268
A.M.Deane	Quincy		270
William J. Sullivan	Boston		280
Charles River Stone Company	Boston	* 480	300
Kavanagh Brothers Company	Quincy	** 380	300

* Troy Granite ** Blue Westerly

and the lowest bid was accepted.

A communication from John P.Leahy, calling attention to a building on Columbia Road,which violates the restrictions, was received; and the Secretary was instructed to notify the owner of said violation.

VOTED, to approve the plan of the Transit Commission, to provide in their bids for excavating the subway that the surplus earth may be spread over the Fens' marsh two feet in depth.

VOTED, to advertise for bids for a locker and sanitary building for William Eustis Playground.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Hapgood, Frost and Company the sum of three hundred ninety-six and 95/100 dollars, being for first approxinate estinate of work done and material furnished on shelter on the Strandway Playground under their contract dated June 25, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to P. G. Rice Company the sum of two hundred ninety-seven and 50/100 dollars being for fifth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary building on Charlestown Playground under its contract dated February 3, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Charlestown Playground Sanitary.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Holmes Building Company the sum of one thousand eighty-eight dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary building on Billings Field Playground, under its contract dated April 21, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City,Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Billings Field Sanitary and Shelter.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, SEPTEMBER 14. 1910

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 3 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Prendergast. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Superintendent's report, recommending exchange of the old piano used in the class work at the Women's Gymnasium, Charlesbank, was considered; and it was

VOTED, that $155.00 be appropriated to cover the cost of a new piano at the Women's Division, Charlesbank, as recommended by the Superintendent.

A communication was received from the Mayor's Secretary, stating that the Mayor had approved of the transfer of $4800.00 from the Reserve Fund to the Park Department, for the purpose of repaving Prince-street Playground; and it was

VOTED, that the Superintendent proceed at once with the paving of Prince-street Playground, authorized by the Mayor.

VOTED, that the Superintendent consult with Mr. Shurtleff, and, if possible, arrange for such bordering trees at Prince-street Playground as will give it more regularity of appearance and shade in summer.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the application of James Wilkie for a carriage stand between the hours of 6 P.M. and 1 A.Am, at the new Algonquin Club on Commonwealth avenue; and it was

VOTED, that, as carriage stands on the cross streets are now within easy hail of the Algonquin Club, no permit be given for a cab stand in front of that club house even at night.

VOTED, to approve of the Superintendent's action regarding improper bathing costumes at Savin Hill Beach, and of the Chairman's letters of September 14 to the Mayor and Mr. Gilman Rankin, in regard to the same subject.

A communication was received from Frederick Bleiler, offering 339,326 square feet of land, bounded by Heath and Day Streets, Grotto Glen, and the line of the estates of the Gardiner-Welch Trustees, Massachusetts Brewing Companies, and the Jefferson School, at twenty cents per square foot, or eighteen cents per square foot for a portion of the land, Mr Bleiler to clear the land of all rock to the level fixed by the park department without cost to the city; and it was

VOTED, that the Secretary be instructed to see the Law Department and learn, as soon as possible, whether the Board can properly accept the proposition made by Mr. Bleiler.

VOTED, that the bid of the Commonwealth Construction and Supply Company, at $1757.00, being the lowest for building a wall and curb at Franklin Field Locker Building, be accepted.

VOTED, there being no evidence before the Board that $20,000, which was added by the City Council to the appropriation for park maintenance, was added for the extension of the speedway; and, as we have no response to the suggestion that, if a majority of the Council voted it for that purpose and so informs us, we shall so spend it; be it now

VOTED, that we proceed to expend that sum on the long-delayed tree plant-

ing on Commonwealth avenue extension; and that we notify His Honor the Mayor of this intention.

VOTED, that the Superintendent be asked to change the riding path near the Vincent Hospital as early as convenient, and as in general has been agreed upon by the Chairman, Mr. Shurtleff and himself.

The Superintendent submitted a report and estimates for the improvement of Charlesbank from the Parkman Fund, also a report relative to the comparative cost of paving with brick and granolithic; and it was

VOTED, to proceed with the work on the Charlesbank in accordance with Mr. Putnam's estimate of September 10, 1910, but to make the walks within Charlesbank of granolithic and not of bricks (the street sidewalk to be of brick); the extra expense thus caused above the $20,000 appropriation to be paid for from maintenance funds.

VOTED, that the Chairman's letter to the Mayor, regarding the cost of the removal of the mussel beds at South Boston, and that little necessity exists for their removal compared with other needed things, be approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from ex-Governor John D. Long's, regarding the use of his land as an entrance to Neponset Playground, requesting that the park department provide other access to the playground or compensate him for the use of his land, which was placed on file, the Chairman having written Mr. Long offering to remove the bridge opposite his property if he desires it, but that the Board does not want to buy the land.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of the West End Street Railway Company for permission to run tracks down into the Fens' flats, to deposit material from the Beacon street tunnel; and it was

VOTED, that the West End Street Railway Company be given permission to run tracks into the Fens for depositing filling on the flats.

VOTED, that the Superintendent be instructed to see that the park sign, referred to in Mr. Rowse's letter of August 11, at the Canterbury street entrance to Franklin Park, be made perfectly clear to all who enter the park, on somewhat the way suggested by Mr.Rowse.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the bill of Thomas H. Maguire,M.D., for services to Peter Mullen, apark laborer, injured while in the performance of his work at Savin Hill Park; and it was

VOTED, that the bill of Dr, Maguire be sent to Captain Dyer, for transmission to the Claims Department for action in favor of its payment.

A communication was received from Mr. Shurtleff, relative to the preparation of a series of five sketches suitable for half-tone reproduction, at $20.00 apiece, comprising the herbaceous garden and certain views of a zoo; and it was

VOTED, to approve of Mr. Shurtleff's suggestion of views to go in a report on the Zoological Garden, and to authorize the expenditure.

A communication was received from Thomas A. Fox, relative to the erection of an elevator house on the building at the corner of Audubon Road and Jersey street, owned by Dr.Mixer, in accordance with the sketch submitted by Thomas A. Fox, Architect, September 2.

VOTED, that the Board approves of the proposition of the Transit Commission to deliver earth on the Fens, and that the superintendent be instructed to see that it be graded substantially as has been agreed upon by the Chairman, Mr. Shurtleff and himself.

A communication was received from William T. Hornaday, Director of the Zoological Gardens, New York, relative to the terms for services as expert adviser; and it was

VOTED, to ask Mr. Hornaday to consult with the Board regarding the zoo and the aquarium, on a two-days' visit, on the terms named in his letter of September 3rd, 1910.

A communication was received from Messrs. Matthew Hale and Joseph P. Lomasney, requesting that a portion of the northeasterly end of the Charlesbank Gymnasium be set apart as a baseball field for juveniles, to be used by the school boys of the West End District; and it was

VOTED, that the request of Messrs Hale and Lomasney be granted, and that the Superintendent be instructed to arrange for the playing ofbaseball by juveniles on the northeast corner of Charlesbank.

A communication was received from the president of the American Automobile Asscciation, calling attention to the Third Annual National Good Roads Convention, to be held in St. Louis, September 26 to 29, which wasplaced on file, the Chairman having replied to the same.

A communication from Joseph Balch regarding restrictions on the land owned by the A. W. Nickerson Heirs on the north side of Peterborough street, requesting a modification striking out the restriction in regard to apartment houses in the agreement for said restrictions, was received, and the matter was referred to the Chairman.

Executive Circular, No. 9, granting leave of absence, without loss of pay, to veterans of the Civil War, during the National Encampment of the G. A. R.; also to members of the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, during the annual manoeuvres, was received and placed on file.

VOTED, that the Superintendent be asked to at once experiment with a piece of walk on Columbia Road, by grading up the walk and planting space, and also by mixing tar with the surfacing.

The Superintendent submitted a report regarding the overcrowding of boats operated by Mr. Gethro at the Public Landing, and the use of boats under fifteen tons not under Government supervision; and it was

VOTED, that the superintendent's action in the stopping of overcrowding of boats and the use of improper launches at the Public Landing be approved.

The Superintendent submitted correspondence relative to complaints of rowdyism at the Charlesbank Men's Gymnasium; and the Chairman drew the attention of the Board to the fact that inquiry fails to produce evidence of any serious trouble of that sort. The communications were placed on file.

The communication from William R. Chaffee, received through the Mayor's office, regarding an exchange of land at Chestnut Hill Park, was read and laid over pending further investigation.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary, enclosing an offer of the East Boston Company to exchange land for the Orient Heights Playground, was received, and the Chairman's reply thereto was approved.

The reply of the Secretary to the communication from James C. Kiley, regarding Miss Palmer's request for an extension of the retaining wall on her land on Park Street, adjoining the Riverway, was approved and ordered sent.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary, regarding unexpended appropriations or balances available for transfers, was received and referred to the Superintendent for report.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to G. A. Cahill, the sum of six hundred seventy-seven and 45/100 dollars, being for fifth approximateestimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary building on Mystic Playground, under his contract dated November 17, 1909, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Mystic Playground, Sanitary and Shelter.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Antony Varnerin, the sum of six hundred thirteen dollars, being for fourth and final estimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary building on Ashmont Playground, under his contract dated November 22, 1909, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Ashmont Playground, Sanitary.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to G. A. Cahill the sum of four hundred twenty-five dollars, being for fifth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary building on Roslindale Playground, under his contract dated November 17, 1909, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Roslindale Playground, Sanitary.

Fred. J. Clarke

BOSTON, SEPTEMBER 15, 1910

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 3 P.M. Present Messrs.Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew and William T. Hornaday, Director of the Zoological Gardens, New York.

The Board conferred with Mr. Hornaday regarding the plans for a zoo and aquarium.

A communication from the Corporation Counsel, in regard to Mr. Bleiler's proposition offering land for a playground in Ward 19, was received and placed on file.

The following proposals received September 6, for sanitary and shelter buildings on West Third-street and West Fifth-street playgrounds, were considered:

West Third-street Playground	Building complete including sanitary, attendant's room and store-room.	Building complete without sanitary, attendant's room and store-room.
William L. Morrison	$1139.00	$ 453.00
Wilbur J. Hatch	1182.00	470.00
James F. Flaherty	1240.00	509.00
Ford & Denning	1445.00	725.00
H. G. Porter	1553.00	624.00
P. G. Rice Co.	1940.00	1600.00
West Fifth-street Playground		
Wilbur J. Hatch	$1182.00	$470.00
James F. Flaherty	1240.00	509.00
William L. Morrison	1249.00	479.00
H. G. Porter	1415.00	671.00
Ford & Denning	1525.00	812.00
P. G. Rice Co.	2100.00	1760.00

and it was

VOTED, to accept the lowest proposals.

The following proposals for a sanitary and locker building on William Eustis Playground, received September 1, were considered:

	Tin roof	Copper roof
Louis B. Cadario	$12,790.00	$13,722.00
John F. Griffin Co.	13,370.00	14,095.00
Daniel L. Shepard	13,470.00	14,300.00
Holmes Building Co.	13,700.00	15,200.00
John A. Rooney	13,870.00	14,595.00
Ford & Denning	14,623.00	15,643.00
A. Piotti	14,647.00	15,717.00
G. A. Cahill	14,905.00	16,288.00
William L. Morrison	15,240.00	16,373.00
P. G. Rice Co.	15,127.00	16,527.00
McNeil Brothers	18,477.00	19,860.00

and it was

VOTED, to award the contract for the building with a tin roof to Louis B. Cadario, the lowest bidder.

The Board approved the form of letter to be written to the Mayorin regard to the site of the Orient Heights Playground and the development of the same; and it was

VOTED, that the Superintendent proceed immediately with the work of filling the playground.

Edw. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, SEPTEMBER 22, 1910

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 3 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Prendergast, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting, and of adjourned meeting of September 15, were read and approved.

VOTED, that all the proposals for road oil received April 22, 1910, be rejected, and that the Superintendent continue his experiments with different oils.

VOTED, to readvertise the lease of the Head House.

A communication was received from John C. Kiley, enclosing the petition of William G. Nickerson, Agent, asking for a modification of the restrictions on a lot of land belonging to the Heirs of Albert W. Nickerson, on Peterborough street; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the Chairman to send a letter to the Mayor recommending that the restrictions be modified as requested.

On request of the Acting City Engineer, for approval of proposed temporary connection between Columbia Road and Old Colony avenue at Hyde street, it was

VOTED, to approve the plan and authorize the temporary connection to be made.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary in regard to reserved space for exhibit at the London Town Planning Conference, was received and placed on file.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Holmes Building Company the sum of one thousand thirty-two and 75/100 dollars, being for fourth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary building on Billings

Field Playground, under its contract dated April 21, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Billings Field, Sanitary and Shelter.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the bill of the Emerson Hospital, for medical services to J. J. Leary, injured while pruning trees; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the payment of the bill.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from G. B. Nissen, regarding improvements in the neighborhood of Bellevue Water Tower; and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the hearing at the Mayor's office, which incidentally included Orient Heights Playground improvements, stating that he had directed Mr. Putnam to prepare plans and specifications for filling the playground; and it was

VOTED, to approve the superintendent's action.

The application of E. J. Tomlin for renewal of his privilege of selling refreshments at L-street on the Strandway, was received and it was

VOTED, to extend E.J.Tomlin's concession of March 16,1910, until further notice.

The Mayor's approval to the bill of John C. Kiley for investigating the subject of a playground at North Brighton, was received; and it was

VOTED, to pay the bill.

A communication from the Building Trades Council, also a similar communication received through the Mayor's office, calling attention to the employment of stone-masons by the contractor for the wall at Franklin Field, who are not citizens, together with the Superintendent's report thereon, were received and referred to the Chairman to reply to the Mayor.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the proposition of J. H. Broderick to lay additional wall at Franklin Field; and it was

VOTED, to do the work with the department force as occasion permits.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the cost of erecting a dancing platform at Charlesbank, as suggested by Miss Curtis; and it was

VOTED, to permit of the erection of such a platform if the promoters pay its cost.

VOTED, to approve of the plan for tree planting at Prince-street Playground, and to advertise for proposals for paving the same,

The Chairman was authorized to write Mr. Townsend, Director of the New York Aquarium, with a view to engaging his services as an expert on plans for the aquarium.

VOTED, to authorize the Superintendent to see Mr. A.B.Baker in Washington, regarding his work there and his application for a similar position here in connection with the Franklin Park Zoo.

VOTED, that the following notices be posted in the several playgrounds to which they refer:

Ashmont, First-street, Strandway, Neponset, and Columbus-avenue Playgrounds

"The children's playground is for the exclusive use of children under fourteen years of age and of women."

Fellows-street, Prince-street, West Third-street, and West Fifth-street Playgrounds.

"This playground is for the exclusive use of children under fourteen years of age and of women."

Franklin Park Playground

"This playground is for the exclusive use of children under nineteen years of age and of women."

Christopher Gibson Playground

"The children's playground is for the exclusive use of children under fourteen years of age and of women, except that the tennis courts may be used by all persons."

Mystic Playground

"This playground is for the exclusive use of children under fourteen years of age and of women, except that on holidays and Saturday after twelve o'clock M., and on all week days after six o'clock P.M., boys may play base-ball and other suitable games."

A request of A. J. Rudnick for the removal of two trees from the Fenway, which obstruct the light and air from the building on the corner of Hemenway street and Westland avenue entrance, was received; and it was

VOTED, that the superintendent be instructed to remove the trees.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, SEPTEMBER 30, 1910

A meeting of the Board of Park Com missioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 Statestreet, at 3 PM. Present Messrs. Peabody, and Prendergast, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A request from R. H. Walsh, that trees be planted opposite 1731 Commonwealth avenue, was received and referred to the Superintendent.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the applications of Bernard Canavin and Delia Murphy for permission to transfer their carriage stands; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the transfer of said carriage stands to Patrick Mullen and James Rogan, respectively.

VOTED, that Patrick Mullen be permitted to stand with one coupé and horse, until further notice, at the park at the southeast corner of Clarendon street and Commonwealth avenue.

VOTED, that James Rogan be permitted to stand with one coupé and horse, until further notice, at the park at the northwest corner of Exeter street and Commonwealth avenue.

A communication from the Mayor in regard to the appropriating of $20,000 for speedway extension, also a communication from the United Improvement Association on the same subject, were received and referred to the Chairman.for reply.

A communication was received from Thomas H. Dowd, requesting that an early date be set for a hearing in reference to the proposed playground in Ward 19.

An application from T. L. Ward for the position of manager of the proposed Zoo, was received and referred to the Superintendent for report.

A communication from Geo. E. Lothrop, also a similar communication addressed to the Mayor, regarding the establishment of an army and navy museum at Castle Island, were received and referred to the Superintendent for report.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the application of the Post-office Department for permission to locate a letter box at 1287 Commonwealth avenue; and it was

VOTED, to grant the request, the letter box to be located under the direction of the Superintendent.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the application of the Chief of Staff of the Columbus Day Parade to use Commonwealth avenue for the parade, October 12, also of the Chief Surgeon to erect hospital tents; and it was

VOTED, that the Columbus Day Celebration be permitted to form its parade, October 12, on both sides of Commonwealth avenue, from Arlington street to Massachusetts avenue, also to erect hospital tents at Clarendon and Fairfield streets, under the direction of the Superintendent of Parks, provided that a sufficient police force shall be detailed to prevent any damage to the young trees and turf on the avenue.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary, enclosing a communication

from the Secretary of the Building Trades Council, regarding the employment of non-citizens by the contractor for the wall at Franklin Field, was received and referred to the Chairmanfor reply.

A request from William E. Hourihan, for permission to hold a parade on Forest Hills Playground, on Sunday afternoon, October 2 and 9, for practice for the Columbus Day Parade, October 12, was received, and the superintendent was authorized to grant the use of the playgrounds for this purpose.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Daniel L. Shepard the sum of seventeen hundred seventy-nine & 25/100 dollars, being for sixth and final estimate of work done and materials furnished for sanitary and locker building at Columbus-avenue Playground, under his contract dated February 3, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation forPlaygrounds Improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Winsloe Contracting Company the sum of nine hundred thirty-seven and 41/100 dollars, the same being for their bill of filling dated September 17, 1910, delivered at Neponset Playground,and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Neponset Playground, Filling and Grading.

VOTED, that the vote passed September 14, 1910, to expend twenty thousand dollars on tree planting Commonwealth avenue Extension, be rescinded.

VOTED, to approve Mr. Hornaday's bill for services in connection with the Franklin Park Zoo.

VOTED, to authorize the Superintendent to purchase three draft horses for use in the department.

On request of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, it was

VOTED, that the Boston Elevated Railway Company have permission to build and maintain a snow fence on North Brighton Playground adjoining Western avenue, the fence to be built on about the same lines as last year;also to dump snow on Charlestown and Strandway playgrounds outside the skating areas: all subject to the approval of the Superintendent of Parks.

The following proposals for furnishing artificial stone for the William Eustis Playground building were received:

New England Cement Stone Company	$377.90
Simpson Brothers Corporation	635.00
Emerson & Norris	689.00

and it was

VOTED, to accept the lowest bid.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, OCTOBER 13, 1910

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 3 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Coakley.

The following proposals received October 4th, for brick pavement on Princestreet Playground, were considered:

William L. Dolan	$2975.00
James H. McCarthy	2990.00
Fred S. & A. D. Gore Corporation	3100.00
Smith, Alden & Company	3143.00
Commonwealth Construction & Supply Company	3250.00
A. Piotti (Proposal not signed)	3529.00
John F. O'Connell	3900.00
John McCourt & Company	3940.00

and it was

VOTED, to award the contract to William L. Dolan, the lowest bidder.

VOTED, to print 500 copies of the report on the Zoo and Aquarium, with plans and illustrations prepared by Messrs. Shurtleff and Austin, the expense of the same to be charged to the appropriations for the Franklin Park Zoological Garden and the Marine Park Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be purchased of John MacDonald a parcel of land in that part of Boston called Dorchester, containing 3708 square feet, more or less, bounded northerly by Franklin Field by a curved line 164 and 85/100 feet, northeasterly by Lyons street 6 and 33/100 feet, southerly by other land of said John MacDonald by a straight line 79 and 25/100 feet, and by a curved line of 600 feet radius 101 and 41/100 feet, northwesterly by Stratton street, 36 and 69/100 feet, and that there be paid to said John MacDonald the sum of three hundred eighty-four and 20/100 dollars, upon his giving a good and sufficient quitclaim deed conveying a good and clear title to the premises to the City of Boston satisfactory to the Law Department, containing provisions that this department shall construct a roadway and walk on said parcel and that if any assessment for the construction of said roadway and walk shall be made on the remaining land of said John MacDonald or the adjoining land of Sue MacDonald such assessments shall be assumed by the City of Boston, and that said John MacDonald, his heirs and assigns shall have the right to use said roadway and walk for access to his remaining land, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, OCTOBER 20, 1910

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 2.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Prendergast, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting and of special meeting of October 13 were read and approved.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to P. G. Rice Company the sum of seven hundred forty-two and 50/100 dollars, being for sixth and final estimate of work done and material furnished on Sanitary Building on Charlestown Playground, under its contract dated February 3, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playgrounds Improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Hapgood, Frost & Company the sum of seventy and 5/100 dollars, being for second and final estimate of work done and materials furnished on Shelter on Strandway Playground, under their contract dated June 25, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Wilbur J. Hatch the sum of seventy and 50/100 dollars, being for second and final estimate of work done and material furnished on Shelter at Savin Hill Beach, under his contract dated July 16, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Hugh Nawn Contracting Company the sum of two thousand two hundred fifty-eight and 13/100 dollars, being for second and final estimate of work done and material furnished on furnishing and delivering material at North Brighton Playground, under its contract dated January 31, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playgrounds Improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Commonwealth Construction and Supply Company the sum of one thousand four hundred ninety-three and 45/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on wall and curb on Franklin Field, under its contract dated August 31, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playgrounds Improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Old Colony Broken Stone Company the sum of five hundred seventy-two and 68/100 dollars, being for second ap-

proximate estimate of work done and material furnished, under its contract dated July 1, 1910, for furnishing and delivering crushed rock on the Fens, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Winsloe Contracting Company the sum of nine hundred sixty-six and 2/100 dollars, being for filling delivered on Neponset Playground, under its bill dated October 6, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Neponset Playground, Filling and Grading.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of the Boston Yacht Club, for permission to erect an iron fence on the sea wall, toguard against accidents, which was approved, subject to the inspection of the Chairman.

An order of the City Council authorizing the exchange of land at Berners Square with the Winsor School Incorporated, was received and placed on file.

Executive Circular No. 10, relative to chapter 619 of the Acts of 1910, designated as "An Act to Authorize Cities and Towns of the Commonwealth to Establish Retirement Systems for their Employees," was received and referred to the Superintendent for report.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the bids received October 14 for filling Orient Heights Playground, the bids being as follows:

Charles J. Jacobs Company	$0.48 for between 1200 and 1800 cu.yds.
John F. O'Connell	.49
Bianco & Statuti	.87
Frank Williams & company	.92
Cerulli & Greco	.52¼ (Proposal filed in City Auditor's office; too late for filing at Park Department.)

The bids were considered and it was

VOTED, to award the contract to John F. O'Connell, the lowest bidder for the amount called for in the specifications.

VOTED, to approve the recommendation of the superintendent, to purchase material from Charles J. Jacobs Company, at its bid of 48¢ per cubic yard, for further extension of the playground at Orient Heights.

VOTED, to approve the settlement of the claim of Moses A. Coulter, as voted by the Committee on Claims, for payment for loss of time and doctor's bills, caused by injuries received while in the performance of his duties in this department, being the sum of $51.50.

A communication was received from the Mayor, with reference to the pay of

D. H. Nugent, a carpenter employed in this department, and referred to the Chairman for reply.

The Superintendent's report on increases in wages of certain employees was received and laid over to the next meeting.

VOTED, to authorize the Superintendent to purchase bulbs for the Herbaceous Border from R.& J. Farquhar Company, in exchange for trees, as recommended by the superintendent.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the application of Antony Gregori for an extension of his concession at Castle Island, which was referred to the Chairman.

Bids for the lease of the Head House, Marine Park, were received as follows:

		Three years' lease Per annum.	Five years' lease Per annum.
Frank C. Healy	140 M.street	$800.00	
Joseph E. Gregori	37 Parker Hill ave,	1500.00	$1800.00
Jos.A.Haelge,J.J.Maloof and John Schayeh	60 Beach street		1800.00
Candelora De Luca	82 O street		1800.00
Charles A. Bova	720 East Third street	1900.00	2300.00
Salim N. Ayoub	13 Hudson street	2100.00	2500.00

The bids were taken under advisement and referred to the Superintendent for report.

The Board voted to send a list of the bids for the lease of the Head House to the Finance Commission, at its request.

The proposition of William L. Dolan for drainage and curbing at Prince-street Playground was accepted as follows:

Curbing . . . . . $1.25 per lin.ft.

Drainage . . . . . .75 " " "

Catch basins $0.50 apiece, the park department to furnish iron frames.

VOTED, to accept the agreement of Daniel L. Shepard to make good defects caused by faulty materials or workmanship in the roof of the Columbus-avenue Playground sanitary building.

VOTED, to request the approval of the Mayor to the making of a contract with the Winsloe Contracting Company, for completing the work of filling Neponset Playground, at the rate of forty cents per cubic yard, without advertising.

The following bids for paving walks at Charlesbank, received October 14, were considered:

	Brick walks complete	Concrete walks complete
John F. O'Connell	$0.90	$1.55
William L. Dolan	1.00	1.80
Frank Williams & Co. (No check)	1.05	1.62
Commonwealth Construction & Supply Co.	1.19	2.16
John McCourt & Co.	1.24	1.52
A. Piotti	1.25	1.62
J. H. McCarthy	1.35	1.44

and it was

VOTED, to accept the bid of John F. O'Connell for constructing brick walks, in accordance with the specifications, for ninety cents per square yard, and to accept the proposal of J. H. McCarthy for constructing concrete walks, at his bid of $1.44 per square yard.

VOTED, to proceed with the work of grading the speedway, and to advertise for proposals to be received October 31st.

VOTED, that the Superintendent be asked to give his attention to the easterly tree on Commonwealth avenue, and do what can be done to prolong its life; also that he, as soon as possible, prepare the pits this autumn for planting new trees in all vacant spaces between Arlington street and Dartmouth street, on Commonwealth avenue, and have English elms ready to plant in the spring.

Geo. F. McClintock
Secretary

BOSTON, OCTOBER 28, 1910

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 3.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Prendergast. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the proposals for leasing the Head House, received October 20th, and the Secretary was instructed to see Mr. Bova in regard to his taking a lease for five years, at a rental of $2500 per annum.

The Superintendent submitted a report in reference to Mr. Bean, foreman of carpenters, recommending leave of absence in addition to his vacation, on account of a surgical operation; and it was

VOTED, that if he has to be absent a month the Board will extend his vacation for that period.

A communication from the Mayor relative to the use of park department automobiles by City Hall officials was received and placed on file.

Executive Circular No. 11, with reference to annual estimates, was received and referred to the superintendent for report.

A communication from J. J. Toomey, received through the Mayor, regarding the location of the Marine Park Aquarium, was read and placed on file.

VOTED, to approve the engineer's orders making changes in constructing the Billings Field sanitary building, also the shelter buildings at Savin Hill Beach and Strandway Playground.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from G. E.Lothrop in regard to the establishment of a war and navy museum at Castle Island, which was referred to the Chairman for reply.

The Superintendent submitted a report on candidates for positions of manager of the Zoo and Aquarium, which was laid over.

The Mayor's approval to the making of a contract with the Winsloe Contracting Company, without advertising, for filling Neponset Playground, at forty cents per cubic yard, was received, and it was

VOTED, to make the contract accordingly.

VOTED, to accept the proposal of William L. Dolan for drainage and curbing at Prince-street Playground, and the proposal of A,A. Hersey for piling for bulkhead on Commonwealth avenue.

A communication from John F. O'Connell in regard to the contract for brick and concrete walks at Charlesbank, was received andit was

VOTED, to award the contract for both brick and concrete walks to J. H. McCarthy, the lowest bidder.

VOTED, to approve Mr. Austin's proposition to supervise the construction of the locker building at William Eustis Playground.

VOTED, to provide a suitable outfit for driving for the chauffeurs in the employ of the department, in part compensation for their services.

Geo. F. Kilarke,
Secretary

BOSTON, NOVEMBER 2, 1910

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 4 P.M. Present. Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Board approved the award of the Committee on Claims, of $21.00, in favor of Peter J. Mullen, for injuries received while in the employ of the department.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the proposals received October 31 for grading a part of Franklin Field speedway; and it was

VOTED, to award the contract to the John H. Winsloe Contracting Company, the lowest bidder.

The Superintendent's report on the proposals received for leasing the Head

House was taken up, the Secretary reporting that Mr. Bova offered to take the lease for five years at $2500 per annum; and it was

VOTED, that all the proposals received October 20, for leasing the Head House, be rejected.

VOTED, to accept the offer of C. A. Bova to lease the Head House for five years at a rental of $2500 per annum.

A communication from William B. Sprout, to Mr. Coakley, regarding the granting of a liquor license on premises at the corner of Cambridge and Charles streets, was received, and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

VOTED, that the City Treasurer be requestedto pay to the Overseers of the Poor,the amount due John Finn, deceased, on the pay rolls of this department.

A communication from the Finance Commission regarding the system of keeping the overtime acccunt was received, and referred to the Superintendent for report.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the question of allowing an additional days's pay to those who were obliged to work on the day of the employees' picnic, which was referred to the Secretary to consult the Law Department as to its legality.

The Superintendent submitted a report, with recommendation, on the Mayor's request that Franklin Field be lighted permanently, which was approved, with the substitution of two lights on the terrace instead of one; and the Superintendent was instructed to submit plans for lighting the other playgrounds referred to in his report.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from P. McKenzie, Secretary of the Knights of Labor, regarding park uniforms, which was referred to the Superintendent to report on what other departments do.

The Chairman submitted a plan of the Light House Board to establish a storehouse and yard for buoys, etc.,on Castle Island, by constructing piers and filling in. The Chairman was authorized to consult Mr. Shurtleff in regard to the proposition,

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John H. Winsloe Contracting Company, the sum of nine hundred sixty-four and 80/100 dollars, being for bill for filling delivered on Neponset Playground, dated October 31, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Neponset Playground, Filling and Grading.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Moses A. Coulter the sum of fifty-one and 50/100 dollars, being for compensation for time lost and doctor's bills, caused by injuries received while in the performance of his duties as an employee

in the park department, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriaton for Park Department.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, NOVEMBER 15, 1910

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 3.30 P. M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Prendergast, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Chairman stated that he had referred to Mr. Shurtleff the request of the lessee of the Hotel Canterbury, that the granolithic walk be carried out to the curb line, also the question of tree guards for Prince-street Playground: both of the matters had been sent to him by the superintendent, with reports.

The Superintendent submitted a report on his interview with James E.Maguire and Rev. W. C. H. McDonough, regarding the Orient Heights Playground location, also communications received later from Mr. Maguire regarding the same and also requesting that Bennington street be planted by the park department. The communications were placed on file, and the superintendent was instructed to look into the matter of planting Bennington street.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the method of keeping the overtime account, which was referred to the Chairman to reply to the Finance Commission.

The Superintendent submitted a report on drawing water from the Fens' pond through the marginal conduit, which was referred to the superintendent to make arrangements to carry out the plan.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of Joseph Doyle to be paid for time lost, etc., owing to injuries received while in the performance of his duties; and it was

VOTED, to refer the matter to the Committee on Claims.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the opinion given by the Law Department regarding pay for the employees who were obliged to work on the picnic day· and it was

VOTED, to allow such employees a day off without loss of pay.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of the Boston Elevated Railway Company to cross the sidewalk of Riverway near its junction with Huntington avenue, in order to dump snow on the vacant lot there, during the winter months; and the secretary was instructed to reply in accordance with the suggestions in the superintendent's report.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Louis B. Cadario, the sum of one thousand nine hundred ninety-seven and 50/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary and locker building on William Eustis Playground, under his contract dated September 22, 1910, and that the chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground, Ward 17.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to G. A. Cahill, the sum of one thousand seven and 10/100 dollars, being for sixth and final estimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary building and shelter on Roslindale Playground, under his contract dated November 17, 1909, and that the chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Roslindale Playground Sanitary.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to G. A. Cahill, the sum of five hundred seventy-nine and 30/100 dollars, being for sixth and final estimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary building on Mystic Playground, under his contract dated November 17, 1909, and that the chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Mystic Playground Sanitary and Shelter.

Geo. F. LaCarlee
Secretary

BOSTON, NOVEMBER 28, 1910

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr. Prendergast's office, 87 Milk street, at 3.30 P.M. Present Messrs Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Holmes Building Company the sum of eight hundred fifty-nine and 25/100 dollars, being for fifth and final estimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary building on Billings Field Playground, under its contract dated April 21, 1910, and that the chairman sign a

request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment;said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Improvements.

The Board visited the L-street Bathhouse, and met the Mayor and the Bath Trustees, with reference to the extension of the bathing facilities there.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, DECEMBER 9, 1910

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 3.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Prendergast. The records of the last meeting and of special meeting of November 28 were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report stating the practice pursued in the Street Cleaning Division as to furnishing uniforms to employees; and it was

VOTED, that the chairman inform the Mayor that the Board purposes to furnish uniforms to the park employees on the same conditions as those adopted in the Boston Street-Cleaning Department.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the cost of maintaining the Central Park menagerie and the aquarium at the Battery, New York, also the cost of maintaining the Detroit aquarium, which was placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the use of the 7-foot conduit for changing the Fens' water, also copy of report of the Bacteriological Laboratory, on the present condition of the waterway in the Fens.

A communication from the International Brotherhood of Blacksmiths, requesting a hearing on increases for blacksmiths and blacksmiths' helpers, was received and referred to the superintendent.

A communication from L. E. Knott, suggesting the construction of an island for nesting purposes in Jamaica Pond, was received and referred to the superintendent for report.

A communication from the City Auditor, accompanying a report of the Public Accountant, Mr. Lyall, in relation to the income of the department, with recommendations, was received and referred to the chairman.

A communication from Charles R. Evans regarding the improvement of Commonwealth avenue, from the Three Roads to Cottage Farm Bridge, by placing wires underground and planting trees, was received and referred to the chairman for reply.

An application of Charles Pottler for renewal of his skating concession at Franklin Field, offering to pay 10% of gross receipts of skate sharpening, was received and referred to the superintendent for report.

A communication from George W. Harvey, expressing a desire to purchase the vacant lot at 455 Medford street, Charlestown Heights, with a report by Mr.Putnam, was considered; and it was

VOTED, not to sell the land, and that the chairman so inform Mr.Harvey.

The Superintendent submitted a report on payments for overtime work,which was placed on file.

TheSuperintendent's reports on increases of wages were considered; and it

VOTED, that the pay of the following employees be increased to the amounts set against their names, and that the chairman submit the same to the Mayor for his approval:

Gilman J. Raymond	Ironworker	from	$2.75	to	$3.00	per	day
Malachi Kenney	"	"	2.50	"	3.00	"	"
Martin Feeley	Pipefitter	"	2.75	"	3.00	"	"
James C. Dunne	Carpenter	"	2.25	"	3.00	"	"
Charles A. Hogan	Timekeeper	"	2.50	"	3.00	"	"
George W. H. Timson	"	"	2.50	"	3.00	"	"
George H. Connor	Chauffeur	"	2.25	"	3.00	"	"
John J. Regan	"	"	1.50	"	2.50	"	"
John F. Murphy	Storekeeper	"	2.25	"	3.00	"	"
Bernard McNulty	Gardener	"	2.25	"	3.00	"	"
James F. Hannon	"	"	2.25	"	2.50	"	"
John Travers	"	"	2.25	"	2.50	"	"
John McGreil	Blacksmith	"	2.25	"	2.75	"	"
John Glennon	Blacksmith's Helper	"	2.50	"	2.75	"	"
Michael O'Brien	Sk.Laborer & Park Keeper	"	2.50	"	2.75	"	"
Michael O'Neill	" " " "	"	2.25	"	2.50	"	"
Thomas Carroll	" " Playgrd "	"	2.25	"	2.50	"	"
Jeremiah J. Downey	" " " "	"	2.25	"	2.50	"	"
Patrick J. Shields	" " " "	"	2.25	"	2.50	"	"
Terrence Griffin	" " " "	"	2.25	"	2.75	"	"
James Sweeney	Shepherd	"	2.25	"	2.50	"	"
Martin Lyons	Pruner	"	2.25	"	2.50	"	"
Joseph P. Howe	Greenkeeper	"	2.25	"	2.50	"	"
Helen J.L.Kennelly	Librarian	"	8.00	"	10.00	"	week
Andrew Rourke	Moulding concrete	"	2.25	"	2,75	"	day

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John H. Winsloe Contracting Company the sum of one thousand six hundred ninety-nine and 79/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Grading the Speedway on Franklin Field, under its contract dated November 8, 1910, and that the chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Commonwealth Construction and Supply Company the sum of two hundred sixty-three and 55/100 dollars, being for second and final estimate of work done and material furnished on wall and curb on Franklin Field, under its contract dated August 31, 1910, and that the chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Improvement (Franklin Field).

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William L. Dolan the sum of two thousand ninety-nine and 50/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on brick pavement on Prince-street Playground, under his contract dated October 24, 1910, and that the chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment;said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

A communication was received from Mr. Shurtleff in regard to trees to be set out in Commonwealth avenue, between Dartmouth and Arlington streets, and protection for young trees on the avenue, which was referred to the superintendent

A communication from Mr. Shurtleff in reference to the tree planting strip at the Hotel Canterbury was received; and it was

VOTED, that the strip be planted as recommended in Mr. Shurtleff's letter.

VOTED, that the superintendent report on land for a playground in the neighborhood of the Quincy School.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, DECEMBER 22, 1910

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 9 A. M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Prendergast. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from President

Johnson of the Dorchester Gentlemen's Driving Club, regarding the judges' and starters' stands at the Speedway, Franklin Field; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the superintendent to construct the same in accordance with his recommendation,

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from Mr. Fottler asking for the usual skate sharpening concession at Franklin Field; and it was

VOTED, that the concession heretofore granted to Charles Fottler for sharpening skates, and selling skates and skate straps, in a temporary building at Franklin Field, be extended for this season, upon the same terms and conditions as last year, and the further condition that he pays 10% of the gross receipts for sharpening skates for said concession.

The Superintendent submitted a report, recommending the replacing of a wornout planer in the carpenters' shop, and the addition of a large lathe in the machine shop; and it was

VOTED, to purchase the same.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the exchange of land on Hunneman street with the Schoolhouse Department; and the matter was referred to the superintendent to ascertain whether the proposed exchange of land would result in the children's being deprived of the playground for any length of time.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the desirability of purchasing a motor truck, with list of prices and Mr. Putnam's examination of the different makes; and it was

VOTED, to request the Mayor for authority to make a contract without advertising.

The Superintendent submitted a report with the annual estimates for maintenance of the department for 1911; and it was

VOTED, to adopt the estimates as reported by the superintendent and send them to the mayor.

VOTED, to approve the action of the Committee on Claims, recommending settlement of the claim of Joseph Doyle for time lost on account of injuries received while employed in this department.

A communication from Bartholomew H. Couig, requesting a ratification of a former decision of the Board on the modification of the restrictions on the lot formerly belonging to P. H. Costello, at the corner of South street and Arborway, reducing the cost of buildings from $4000 to $3000, and allowing store privileges on the South street side, was received and laid over.

A communication from the Finance Commission, stating that they had voted to employ Warren H. Manning, Landscape Designer, to make an examination of the park department, was received and referred to the chairman to communicate with Mr. Manning.

A communication from the Mayor's secretary, stating that the Mayor had no objection to the department's sustaining the whole cost of expense of uniforms for employees; and it was so voted.

A communication from the Mayor's secretary, regarding unexpended balances, and the advisability of expending $500 for a flagstaff at Wood Island Park, to be submitted to the improvement associations of East Boston; also City Council order appropriating $119,000 from the income of the Parkman Fund for the current year for a Zoological Garden and Aquarium, were received and placed on file.

A communication from R. E. Follett, in regard to his application for the position of director of the Aquarium and Zoo, was received and referred to the chairman.

A communication from R. T. Paine, in regard to filling the marsh land in the Fens for playgrounds or a stadium, suggesting that the filling be deep enough to have a ground satisfactory for athletic sports, received through the Mayor's office, was placed on file.

A communication from Secretary Leahy, in reference to cement plaster for the exterior of the new aquarium building at Marine Park, was received and referred to the Chairman for reply.

A communication from F. J. Gethro, regarding the dredging of the channel at the public landing, Marine Park, was received and referred to the superintendent for report.

Proposals for steel tires for the 15-ton steam roller were presented to the Board and referred to the engineer for report.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Louis B.Cadario the sum of two thousand eight hundred ninety dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary and locker building on William Eustis Playground,under his contract dated September 22, 1910, and that the chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playgrounds Improvements (William Eustis Playground).

A communication from Joseph Lee requesting the construction of a coasting slide at Columbus-avenue Playground, was received and referred to the secretary to ascertain if the School Committee will pay for it.

VOTED, that the commission proceed with the following work relating to the Zoological Garden and Aquarium:

1st. A careful revision of the General Plan of the Zoo.

2nd. A detailed plan of the Greeting with a view to determining its total cost and to starting work on some small portion of it.

3rd. A detailed plan of the Herbaceous Garden so that the grading of loam now on the site and the digging of the water spaces may be done by a settled, carefully drawn plan.

4th. A careful design for the bear den so that the cost may be ascertained.

5th. Complete drawings and specifications for an Aquarium to cost about $75,000.00, and capable of extension.

6th. Studies for a bird house.

VOTED, that Mr. Shurtleff be asked to consult fully with Mr. Pettigrew and Mr. Putnam; and, with their advice and help, make drawings and specifications for the items 1, 2, 3 and 4. As this is special work and not to be considered such general advice as is covered by Mr. Shurtleff's salary, he is to be paid the actual cost of draughting, traveling, blue prints, etc., and twenty-five dollars per day for his own actual working time, and he is to render his accounts monthly.

Voted, that Mr. Austin be asked, in consultation with Mr. Pettigrew and the Board, to complete working drawings and specifications for Item 5. If this work proceeds to a finish, his compensation for designs and full superintendence, including the sketches, etc. already made, is to be 6% on the cost of all but the heating and ventilation and the aquarium plant, and 3% on these items, the commission undertaking to pay the fee of an engineer approved by them to advise Mr. Austin by laying out and supervising, under his direction, this portion of the work.

VOTED, to ask Mr. Austin to proceed with Item 6.

VOTED, that, in pursuance of the above, Messrs. Austin and Shurtleff be asked to visit New York and Washington, and study details of bears' dens, bird houses and aquaria, traveling expenses to be paid by Commission and Mr. Shurtleff's time as per agreement, but Mr. Austin's time to be covered by his commission.

Sec. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, DECEMBER 29, 1910

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr. Prendergast's office, 87 Milk street, at 3 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Prendergast, Mr. Coakley being absent from the city.

VOTED, to approve the plan of iron fence between the Paul Revere School and the bathhouse at Prince-street Playground, and to authorize the superintendent to erect the same, at an estimated expense of $200.00.

VOTED, to accept the proposal of the Concrete Engineering Company, of December 28, 1910, to construct, ready for erection, cast iron columns, pilasters, girders, flower boxes and roof slabs for the shelters in the Prince-st Playground, according to plan and specifications therefor prepared by William D. Austin, Architect, said plan being dated December 23,1910, for the sum of $1893.00.

VOTED, to accept the proposal of A. B. Robbins Iron Company, of December 29, 1910, to provide, ready for erection, all the steel and iron work in connection with the proposed shelters in the Prince-street Playground, according to plan and specifications therefor prepared by William D. Austin, Architect, said plan being dated December 23, 1910, for the sum of $1050.00.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John H. Winsloe Contracting Company, the sum of one thousand two hundred sixty-six and 84/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on grading the Speedway on Franklin Field, under its contract dated November 8,1910, and that the chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

A communication was received from the Mayor authorizing the award of contracts, without advertising, for improvements at Prince-street Playground. The proposals received were as follows:

Steel and Iron Work.

A. B. Robbins Company	$1050.00
Smith Erecting and Contracting Company	1411.00

Concrete Columns, Pilasters, Girders, Flower Boxes and Roof Slabs

Concrete Engineering Company	$1893.00
Emerson and Norris Company	3118.00

Geo. F. Adams
Secretary

BOSTON, JANUARY 6, 1911

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr. Prendergast's office, 87 Milk street, at 4.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley. The records of the last meeting and of special meeting of December 29 were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the plan for completing the wall at Blue Hill and Talbot avenues, Franklin Field, which was referred to the Chairman.

The Superintendent submitted a report, recommending the purchase of one buggy and five draft horses, and a seven-ton steam roller, also the exchange of an old steam lawn mower for a gasoline lawn mower; and it was

VOTED, to make said purchases with the approval of the Mayor.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the gardeners' winter work and overtime; and the matter was referred to the superintendent to see the Mayor.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the expense of partial construction and maintenance of the Zoo and Zquarium, under a suggested appropriation of $135,000.00, which was referred to the Chairman.

The Superintendent submitted a report recommending full pay as laborer for Henry H.Adolph, boy; and it was

VOTED, to approve the recommendation.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the completion of the fence at Charlesbank, on the line of Charles street; and it was

VOTED, to advertise for bids.

A communication from the Finance Commission regarding fees for permits issued by departments for street openings, etc., was received and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from Cronin and Cronin, requesting a hearing on the petition of Bartholomew H. Couig for modification of restrictions on Arborway and South street, was received; and the Secretary was instructed to notify them that the Board sees no reason to change its former action.

On the petition of Bartholomew H. Couig in regard to the modification of the restrictions on his land on the corner of South street and the Arborway; it was

VOTED, that the Board adhere to its former action.

A communication was received from the Boston Yacht Club requesting approval of plan for an iron fence on the seawall, with electric lights on alternate posts, which was approved.

A communication was received from the Mayor's Secretary regarding the employment of Messrs. Hubbard and French as experts on heating and ventilating the Aquarium, which was placed on file.

A communication from the Chairman of the Bath Trustees, regarding Prince-street Playground improvements, was received and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the progress of the work on the Speedway under contract, which was placed on file.

The Chairman submitted a protest of the West End Improvement Association to the granting of a liquor license at the corner of Cambridge and Charles streets, which was placed on file.

Communications from Messrs. Olmsted and Shurtleff, regarding an early report from Mr. Olmsted as a result of their study of the Boston parks, were received and placed on file.

A report from Mr. Austin regarding expenditures needed for next year on Prince-street Playground was received and placed on file.

A communication was received from R. T. Paine in regard to automobile traffic on Commonwealth avenue, suggesting that it be confined to Beacon street, which was placed on file.

A communication from C. A. Kofoid regarding aquaria abroad, with his report, was received and placed on file.

VOTED, to ask Mr. Pettigrew to proceed with the finish of Dabney Pond according to the recommendations given by Mr. Shurtleff and Mr. Olmsted in the note attached hereto, unless Mr. Pettigrew has some objections to such a course, in which case will he make them definitely to the Board.

"The ash dump on the westerly side of Dabney Pond should be partially removed and the remainder regraded and loamed to present a naturalistic appearance. The bottom of the present mud hole should be cleared of stones to make a smooth dell. This dell should be drained to prevent water from standing in it, except at those seasons of the year when the natural water supply would keep it full of water. At other seasons this outlet should be kept open to allow the water to empty completely and to allow grass to cover the bottom of the dell. At such time as money for the purpose can be afforded, and when that portion of the Park in the vicinity of Dabney Pond is more frequented, an artificial water supply should be provided to keep Dabney Pond full at all seasons of the year."

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John H. Winsloe Contracting Company, the sum of nine hundred twenty-four and 18/100 dollars, the same being for their bills for filling and grading at Neponset Playground, dated December 1, 1910 and January 2, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Neponset Playground Filling and Grading.

VOTED, that there be allowedand paid to Hill, Clark & Company, the sum of

five hundred forty-five and 00/100 dollars, the same being for their bill for lathe, dated December 28, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Adder Machine Company, the sum of one hundred sixty-nine and 75/100 dollars, the same being for their bill for adding machine, dated December 16, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, JANUARY 27, 1911

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 3.30 P. M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley; also present Superintendent Pettigrew, The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on his conference with the Mayor regarding the purchase of a motor truck, gardeners' winter wages, the St. Joseph's Athletic Association building on Charlesbank, and increases in wages for certain laborers and mechanics, which was placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the inquiry of Chairman Sullivan of the Finance Commission, relative to the number of employees and their winter work in the park department, which was placed on file, the information having been sent to the Finance Commission by the Chairman.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of the Mayor for the transfer of Richard J. Hayden, gardener in the Public Grounds Department, to the Park Department, which was agreed to and referred to the Superintendent for suitable action.

The Superintendent submitted a report on an interview with Frank Sanborn, in the Mayor's office, regarding supervisory interest on the part of the park department in the Howe Memorial lot, South Boston; also on the work at Dabney Pond, which were placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the condition of the appropriations for playgrounds in Ward 7, which was placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the lighting of the Franklin Park shops with incandescent lights, recommending acceptance of the proposal of Deane and Lobdell for laying the conduit for the sum of $629.00; and it was

VOTED, to accept said proposal.

The Superintendent submitted reports on the claims of Michael H. Murray and Hugh H, Smyth, for time lost on account of accidents; and it was

VOTED, to approve the same and refer them to the Committee on Claims of the City Council, through Captain Dyer.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the claim of John F.McKernan for time lost and doctor's bills, on account of accident, which was placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report recommending the purchase of trees for nursery stock, which was approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of the Dorchester Gentlemen's Driving Club for a new judges' stand and a shed for teams; and it was

VOTED, to approve the erection of the judges' stand.

The Mayor's approvals for the purchase of horses, steam roller, and motor truck were received and placed on file.

A communication from F. E. Cooper, offering for sale three old photographs of the Boston Elm, etc., was received and the Secretary was instructed to return them.

A request of the Mayor for a brief summary of the activities of the department, for his annual message, was received and referred to the Chairman for reply.

A communication from Secretary Leahy, enclosing a letter from J. H. Lyons, offering land for sale adjoining Savin Hill Beach, was received and referred to the Superintendent for report.

A communication from the East Boston Citizen's Association, also a similar letter received through the Mayor, regarding the flagpole at Wood Island Park, were received; and it was

VOTED, to erect a flagpole within the sum of $500.00 appropriated.

An acknowledgment from W. W. Churchill of the Chairman's letter in regard to the Dallin statue, was received and placed on file.

VOTED, to authorize the Chairman to appear before the Committee on Legal Affairs of the Legislature and advocate a bill for the opening of parks and playgrounds for games on Sunday afternoon.

A communication was received from the South Boston Citizens' Association, stating that the Association went on record favoring the bathers at L-street

Bathhouse wearing trunks, and against the removal of the fences at the bathhouses, which was placed on file.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John H. Winsloe Contracting Company the sum of one thousand nine hundred forty-eight and 92/100 dollars, being for third and final estimate of work done and material furnished on grading the Speedway on Franklin Field, under its contract dated November 8, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favorof said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John F. O'Connell the sum of three hundred thirty-one and 95/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on filling on Orient Heights Playground under his contract dated November 4, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground, Orient Heights.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William L. Dolan the sum of seven hundred seventy-five and 50/100 dollars, being for second and final estimate of work done and material furnished on brick pavement on Prince-street Playground, under his contract dated October 24, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William L. Dolan the sum of four hundred three and 83/100 dollars, the same being his bill for concrete curbing, etc., dated January 3, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Louis B. Cadario the sum of two thousand seven hundred ninety-two and 25/100 dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary and locker building on William Eustis Playground, under his contract dated September 22, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playgrounds Improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paidto Alvan T. Fuller the sum of three thousand four hundred thirty-six and 00/100 dollars, the same being for bill for motor truck, as per contract dated January 27, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Buffalo Steam Roller Company

the sum of two thousand one hundred fifty and 00/100 dollars, being for bill for one six-ton tandem steam roller, as per contract dated January 14, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, FEBRUARY 2, 1911

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 4 P. M. Present. Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley.

VOTED, to send the letter to Walter Balantyne, Chairman of the City Council, a copy of which is on file, stating the views of the Board as to the merger of the departments now under consideration by the City Council.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, FEBRUARY 13, 1911

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 3.30 P. M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting and of special meeting of February 2 were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report, recommending a temporary bridge for filling the Fens' playground, also the extension of the filling, which were approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from Frank J. Gethro, regarding the boat service to Castle Island; and the Secretary was instructed to ask Mr. Gethro to submit a proposal for a contract for five years from the expiration of his present lease.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the application of Ralph G.

Stowell, for a renewal of his concession at Jamaica Pond, which was referred to the Superintendent to see what Mr. Stowell will do about improving conditions at the landing.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communications from the Women's Municipal League, received in answer to Mr. Peabody's inquiries as to what was meant by a speech of Mrs. Bowlker's, quoted inthe papers, relative to playgrounds, which were referred to the Chairman for reply.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the Mayor's inquiry as to the use of old election booths;and the Secretary was instructed to inform the Mayor that the department can use eight of them.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from A.Ross White regarding the tennis courts in Franklin Park; and the matter was referred to the Superintendent to consider the feasibility of constructing tennis courts with binding gravel and back-nets at Franklin Field, as studied by Messrs. Pettigrew, Shurtleff and the Chairman.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from Horace Packard regarding Commonwealth avenue road surface; and the Secretary was instructed to say that the Board has received his letter and will take the matter under consideration.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from the Mayor's Secretary regarding the appointment of Mrs. Carty as matron of William Eustis Playground; and it was

VOTED, to make the appointment.

The Superintendent submitted a report with a plan of cement concrete wall for Columbus-avenue Playground, adjoining the railroad property; and it was

VOTED, to approve the plan and refer it to the Railroad Company.

The Superintendent submitted a report with plan for seats at Charlesbank, which was referred to the Chairman with full power.

The Superintendent submitted reports recommending the purchase of nursery stock; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the Superintendent to purchase the same.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the bill of M. T. Thurber, for attending Patrick Dailey, injured while at work for the department; and it was

VOTED, to pay the bill.

The Superintendent submitted a report in regard to repairing the Charlestown Heights wall, which was placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on a reduction in the mechanical force, recommending the suspension of Erwin C. White. Hugh H. Smyth,Machinists,

Michael P. McDonald, mason, and Thomas F. Quirk, carpenter, for lack of work; and it was

VOTED, to notify them accordingly; and that they be temporarily suspended, pending further action on said notice.

VOTED, to approve French and Hubbard's bill, for services relating to the Aquarium, to date; and to refer to the Chairman the question of employing Mr. Hubbard to continue on the Aquarium work, on terms named in his note.

VOTED, to approve Mr. Shurtleff's bills to date, in connection with the general work of the park system, and the Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, to ask Mr. Hornaday to come here and advise the Board on matters connected with the Zoological Garden and Aquarium, on the terms mentioned in his letter, and to submit to him the sketches of Bear's den, Aquarium, Flying Cage and Bird House, prepared by Messrs.Shurtleff and Austin.

The Chairman submitted a sketch for a children's playground at Charlestown Heights, also for gateposts at Columbus-avenue Playground, changes in roof, etc. at Franklin Field Building, also for a pavilion on Copp's Hill Terrace; which were referred to the Superintendent to report on estimate of cost.

The Superintendent was instructed to prepare a scheme and estimate for making secure the walls at Charlestown Heights.

The Superintendent was instructed to report on the letters from John Shepard and F. L. Doherty, concerning land for a playground in Ward 16.

A communication from the City Clerk, transmitting the petition of Bartholomew H. Couig, for a modification of restrictions on South street and Arborway, was received; and it was

VOTED, to amend the restrictions on the lot of land at the corner of South street and Arborway, belonging to Bartholomew H. Couig, so as to permit the erection on this lot of apartment houses to cost not less than $3000 per suite of apartments, with store privileges on the South-street front.

Executive Circular, No.13, regarding thetime for submission of annual reports was received and placed on file.

A communication from President Johnson, of the Dorchester Gentlemen's Driving Club, asking leave for the erection of a building for the care of horses at the Speedway, was considered and the request declined.

A communication from the Chairman of the Bath Trustees, regarding the extension of the enclosures at L-street baths, was received and referred to the Chairman to confer with him.

VOTED, to advertise the annual drawing of teams for work in this department.

A request of Adler, Barker, Stanton & Wood for examination of correspondence regarding permission from the War Department to build a wall along the southerly side of Charles river, was received and copies of the correspondence referred to were sent to them.

A request of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, for a permit to occupy space in Charlestown Playground for the purpose of erecting steelwork over the corner of the playground, was received; and it was

VOTED, to issue a permit as requested, Mr. Prendergast asking to be recorded as not voting.

VOTED, to permit S. I. Hudgens to keep burros for hire at Marine Park, for this season, provided that the length of ride and the burros and their equipment are satisfactory to the Superintendent of Parks.

A communication from Mrs. John A. Fowle, regarding a playground site in Dorchester, received through the Mayor, was referred to the Superintendent for report.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Old Colony Broken Stone and Concrete Company, the sum of one hundred forty-two and 47/100 dollars, being for third and final estimate of work done and material furnished under its contract for furnishing and delivering crushed trap rock on the Fens, dated July 1, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John F. O'Connell the sum of five hundred eighty-one and 43/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished under his contract for filling on Orient Heights Playground, dated November 4, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground, Orient Heights.

Wm. F. McCarthy
Secretary

BOSTON, FEBRUARY 17, 1911

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr. Prendergast's office, 87 Milk street, at 3.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Prendergast, also present Superintendent Pettigrew.

The Chairman was instructed to address a letter to the Mayor, stating the position of the Board in regard to a hearing on the Parker Hill Playground matter.

The Chairman was instructed to write to the Bath Trustees, stating the position of the Board in regard to the extension of the bathhouses at L-street.

The Superintendent was authorized to employ six teamsters, and to make a requisition on the Civil Service for the same.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, MARCH 13, 1911

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Room 828, Tremont Building, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting and of special meeting of February 17 were read and approved.

A hearing, in accordance with the notice previously sent to them, was given to Hugh H. Smyth, machinist, Michael P. McDonald, mason, and Thomas F. Quirk, carpenter, on notice that they had been recommended for indefinite suspension for lack of work. All were present, and were represented by Attorney Roberts. The men were heard in regard to their work, and stated that, in their opinion, there was still work for them to do, that some of the work they were doing is still unfinished. In answer to a question by Mr. Coakley, Mr. Smyth denied that he had been told when engaged that the job might be only temporary: and Mr. McDonald said that hewas given to understand that, if he stayed over six months, the position would be permanent.

Mr. Roberts said in closing the case for the men, that, judging from their statements, some charges other than lack of work should be preferred. In the cases of Smyth and McDonald it does not seem to be quite the charge. He said he got the impression that there was plenty of work, but that there was something behind it. Subsequently, it was

VOTED, to indefinitely suspend Erwin C. White and Hugh H. Smyth, machinists,

Michael P. McDonald, mason, and Thomas F. Quirk, carpenter, for the reasons stated in the notices previously sent to them.

The Superintendent submitted a report on Mr. Stowell's offer to put up a building at the Jamaica Pond boat landing; and the Secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Stowell that the Board declines his offer, but would consider a proposition for a suitable building if he has any suggestions to make.

It was VOTED, to approve the Superintendent's recommendations in regard to the purchase of swans and nursery stock.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from Acting Mayor Collins, requesting areport on a list of improvements suggested at district meetings held in February; and the Secretary was instructed to send the same to the Mayor.

The Superintendent submitted a report recommending the cutting off of the neck of land opposite Huntington Entrance, and the filling of the central pond, which was approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report in regard to a vacancy, if any, in the position of matron; and the Secretary was instructed to reply to the Mayor.

The Superintendent submitted an estimate of the cost of constructing the Greeting, which was placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the suitability of the Gray Estate on Brookford street for playground purposes, which was placed on file (The Chairman having previously communicated with the Mayor in regard to the advisability of this site); and the Secretary was instructed to advertise for land for playgrounds in wards 16 and 7.

Communications from the Mayor's secretary, in acknowledgment of letters from the chairman in regard to agreement with the Bath Trustees for extension of bath lockers at L street, and objections totaking land on top of Parker Hill for a playground, were received and placed on file.

A communication from the Mayor, in answer to the chairman's letter of March 6, regarding the erection of municipal buildings in the parks, was received and placed on file.

A communication addressed to Commissioner Coakley, from Edward J. Sampson, in regard to restrictions on land on Seaver street, was referred to the secretary.

A communication from the School Committee with reference to the appointment of a committee to confer with the park commissioners, with reference to charges for the ordinary care of the children's corners in park playgrounds, together with a report on the matterby the Superintendent,was considered,and

the Chairman's letter in reply thereto was approved.

A communication from Corporation Counsel Babson, regarding the approval of the towers, domes, etc., on the plans of the Copley Plaza Hotel, submitted by Mr. Blackall, was received, together with sundry communications on the matter by Mr. Blackall; and it was

VOTED, that the Board, as required by the statute of 1898, hereby does approve of any steeples, towers, domes, sculptured ornaments and chimneys if any there are shown on the plan presented as above the height of ninety feet, and that the Chairman further inform mr. Blackall, that, if the approval of the Board is desired for the projections of the cornice, the arrangement of the balustrade and the size of the roof houses, the Board as at present advised would be unwilling to give it for the cornice or the roof houses.

Communications from the Mayor's secretary, acknowledging the Chairman's letters in regard to the land on Parker Hill offered by Governor Foss for playground purposes, also regarding the purchase and utilization of land adjoining the site of the Phillips Brooks School for playground purposes, were received and placed on file.

A communication from the Boston Work-Horse Parade Association, in regard to the inspection of the park department stables, was received; and the Secretary was instructed to acknowledge the same.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Louis B. Cadario the sum of one thousand six hundred twenty-seven and 75/100 dollars, being for fourth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary and locker building on William Eustis Playground, under his contract dated September 22, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playgrounds Improvements.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, MARCH 20, 1911

The following proposals for furnishing and delivering iron fencing on Charlesbank were received and opened at the office of the Board, at 3 P.M., a representative from the Mayor's office being present:

Wright Wire Company	$1229.59
Fred A. Houdlette & Son, Inc.	1235.00
Smith & Lovett Company	1339.00
P. J. Dinn & Company	1448.00
Cambridge Architectural Iron Works	1495.55
Market Forge Company	1644.00
Puritan Iron Works	1749.00
W. A. Snow Iron Works, Inc.,	1859.00
Babcock, Sanborn & Davis Company	1980.00
George T. McLaughlin Company	2052.39
A. B. Robbins Iron Company	2058.00
Smith Erecting & Contracting Company	2172.00

Subsequently the bid of Fred A. Houdlette & Son, inc. was accepted.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, MARCH 28, 1911

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Room 828, Tremont Building, at 4 P. M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report regarding boating in the Fens; and the Superintendent was instructed to consider what changes in the rules may be necessary in order to permit it.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the employment of additional men; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the superintendent to engage fifty men as may be necessary.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of the Boston Athletic Association for permission to hold a Marathon Race, April 19; and it was

VOTED, to give the Boston Athletic Association permission for the Marathon Race on Patriot's Day, April 19, to go through Commonwealth avenue from the vicinity of Hotel Somerset to the Club House of the Boston Athletic Association on Exeter street, with the understanding that the Athletic Association will guarantee to carry out the same conditions that were required last year in regard to the roping off of the avenue between Massachusetts avenue and a point half way between Exeter street and Dartmouth street, and policing the same with seventy-five additional officers; the expense of said roping and policing, together with any damage that may be done to the property of the city to be paid for by the Boston Athletic Association.

The Superintendent submitted a report on items desirable for park and playground improvements for appropriations from the Loan Bill, which was referred to the Chairman to communicate with the Mayor.

The Superintendent submitted a report in regard to changes at Charlesbank Women's Gymnasium, to improve the accommodations for bathing; and the Superintendent was authorized to do the work, and to see the City Auditor in regard to charging the same to the unexpended balance for Charlesbank, addition to building and shower baths.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the lighting of the Charlesbank esplanade with Tungsten lamps; and the Superintendent was instructed to see if the Electric Illuminating Company will install the service at its own expense.

A proposition was received from Frank J. Gethro for a renewal for five years of the concession at the Marine Park Public Landing, at a rental of $500.00 per annum; and it was

VOTED, to advertise for proposals for furnishing a boat service at Marine Park, the equipment to consist of three boats of not more than three feet draft, to be under steamboat inspection, one of capacity of 150 passengers, and the other two of 75 passengers each, thirty row boats and the necessary rafts,etc.

Executive Circular No.15, regarding assignment of wages, was received and the Superintendent was instructed to warn the men that assignment of wages will not be tolerated.

A communication from Willard P. Whittemore et al.,by H. R. Morse, Attorney, regarding the laying out of a street along the boundary line of Forest Hills Playground, was received; and the Secretary was instructed to reply that the Board does not wishto curtail the playground by devoting any of the land to a public street.

The Chairman was instructed to write to Mr. Mowbray tocome to Boston in reference to the Aquarium matter, as stated in his letter; and also to communicate with Mr. Benson in regard to giving a part of his time in supervising the work of preparing the Zoological Garden; also to ask Mr. Shurtleff to report cost of flying cage.

It was VOTED, to approve Mr. Olmsted's bill for $500.00 and $37.50 for expenses, in connection with his report on the Boston parks.

The Chairman stated that the Mayor proposed a trip to Chicago, to inspect playground improvements; and it was

VOTED, to authorize Mr. Pettigrew to accompany the Mayor, and to ask Mr. Shurtleff to go if his engagements will permit.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Wilbur J. Hatch the sum of four hundred and seventy dollars, being for his first and final extimate for shelter on West Fifth-street Playground, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playgrounds, Ward 13.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William L. Morrison the sum of four hundred fifty-three dollars, being for his first and final estimate for shelter building on West Third-street Playground, and that the Chairman sign a requeston the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount tc be charged to the appropriation for Playgrounds, Ward 13.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, APRIL 13, 1911

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of William F. Brennan, that a crosswalk be made opposite Chester street on Commonwealth avenue; and the Secretary's reply to Mr. Brennan denying his request was approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the play parks and squares of Chicago, which was referredto the Chairman.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from the Jamaica Plains Citizens' Association to the Mayor, favoring the Goodwin estate on Carolina avenue for a playground; and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

The Superintendent submitted a report on theneed of carpenters and masons for Zoo construction, also a high power spraying machine; and it was

VOTED, to authorizethe Superintendent to employ additional masons and carpenters, also to purchase the engine and fittings for a spraying machine, as recommended by him.

A communication from N. W. Robinson, regarding the desirability of taking additional land adjacent to Savin Hill park, was received and referred to the Chairman for reply.

Executive Circular No. 16, directing the heads of departments to grant leave of absence, without loss of pay, on Saturday afternoon and legal holidays, was received and the Superintendent was instructed to follow the instructions of the Mayor.

Executive Circular No. 17, requiring typewritten communications to the Mayor to bein triplicate, was received and placed on file.

A communication from Secretary Leahy enclosing a petition requesting that Ward 19 playground be located on Heath street, was received and placed on file.

A request of P. F. Carley, for Rev. H. R. O'Donnell, for a field day at North Brighton Playground, was received; and it was

VOTED, to grant the request under the same conditions as in the past.

A communication from S. G. Morse, regarding restrictions on land on the Fenway, near Westland Entrance, also a communication from Mr. Babson regarding the same, were received; and the Secretary was instructed to reply to Mr. Morse.

A communication from Peter Strickland, referred by the Mayor, regarding a playground site in Ward 24, was received and placed on file.

A request of Park Department employees' Knights of Labor, for a holiday for their annual picnic, was received; and the Secretary was instructed to obtain Mr. Babson's opinion on the power of the Board to grant a holiday for this purpose.

A communication from Secretary Leahy regarding the suggestion of A. A. Shurtleff, as to, plans and photographs from Chicago, was received and referred to the Chairman.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John F. O'Connell the sum of eight hundred forty-seven and 17/100 dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on filling on Orient Heights Playground, under his contract dated November 4, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground, Orient Heights.

The following were received and laid over: application of Gabriel Farrell for renewal of his boating concession at Charlesbank; communication from H. R. Morse regarding a street to be laid out on P. W. Whittemore's land and partly on Forest Hills Playground; communication from F. G. Floyd regarding betterments on account of laying out Bellevue Hill section of West Roxbury Parkway; request of Patrick J. Conley for compensation for time lost on account of accident.

The following proposals for land for playgrounds inwards 7 and 16 were

received and laid over:

PROPOSALS FOR PLAYGROUND IN WARD 7

	Location	Owner	Area sq.ft.	Assessed value	Price
132	Tyler street	Georgia B. Manter	1400	$3500.00	$4000.00
142	" "	Stephen H. Whidden	1400	3300.00	4125.00
154	" "	Mary D. Tucker	1400	2500.00	2500.00
140	" "	Mary J. Towle	1400	5100.00	5700.00
134	" "	C. J. Roby et als	1400	3500.00	3750.00
136	" "	C. J. Roby et als.	1400	3500.00	3750.00
138	" "	R. E. Townsend,Agt.,	1400	3500.00	3500.00
75	Oak "	S. H. Whidden	832	3900.00	4875.00
73	" "	Margaret M. Sullivan	820	3900.00	5000.00
71	" "	Catherine S. McCaffrey	820	3900.00	4875.00
75-77	Hudson "	R. E. Townsend, Agt.,	2392	9000.00	9000.00
134	" "	Edward Graham	1414	4900.00	6000.00
71	" "	Catherine Browning	1183	4700.00	5875.00

PROPOSALS FOR PLAYGROUND IN WARD 16

119 Alexander street	John E. Tobin	4,337	1900.00	3000.00
Bird street & Baker pl.	A. S. Walker	12,436	9000.00	11500.00
158-160 Magnolia street	H. L. Batchelder Estate	5,652	6000.00	7500.00
E.Cottage & Humphreys sts	George H. Dean Estate	47,845	11900.00	11900.00
E.Cottage,Hillsboro Beckwith & Railroad	A. M. Beale	110,700	16900.00	21000.00
Massachusetts ave.	J. L. Doherty,Agent	120,203	25900.00	60101.50
Dacia & Danube sts.	Joseph C.O'Kane	70,000	21000.00	21000.00
Dacia,Adrian & Randlet	A.V.Mann et al,Tr	59,000		21600.00
	Matthew Foley,Ward,Hrs. Burke & Scullion.	(Net without houses)		20000.00
Dacia, Adrian & Randlet	A.V.Mann et al.Tr.	32,000		7000.00
Dacia, Adrian & Randlet	A.V.Mann et al.Tr	40,000		14500.00
Howard av.& Harlow st.	Paul H. Kendricken	31,200		24960.00
83 & 85 E.Cottage st.	John S. Brownrigg	38,233	8900.00	11125.00

Proposals for summer uniforms were submitted by the Superintendent, and his recommendations for awards to Henry B. Spitz onthe hats, coats and pants, and to the Union Hat Company on the shirts, were adopted.

VOTED, to engage John T. Benson as manager of the Zoological Garden, under the general direction of Superintendent Pettigrew, and to pay him for partial service until September 1, 1911, at the rate of $100 per month, and thereafter at the rate of $2500 per annum.

Leo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, APRIL 19, 1911

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's house, 22 Fenway, in the afternoon. Present Messrs. Peabody and Prendergast.

VOTED, to engage Louis L. Mowbray, of Hamilton, Bermuda, as manager of the new Aquarium, under Mr. Pettigrew as general superintendent of the parks, for one year, at a salary of $2500.00 per annum: this service to begin early in 1912.

A communication from Samuel H. Sullivan, Chairman Committee of the Trade Association of South Boston, calling attention to a hearing before the Board of Health, on the application of the Suffolk Brewing Company to build and occupy a stable on Columbia Road at G street, for thirty-eight horses and cows; and it was

VOTED, to instruct the secretary to attend the hearing and protest against the proposed stable on that site on the parkway.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, MAY 1, 1911

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828, Tremont Building, at 4 P.M: Present Messrs. Prendergast and Coakley. The records of the last meeting, and of special meeting of April 19, were read and approved.

The certificate of the City Clerk of the reappointment of Robert S. Peabody to be a park commissioner, and his acceptance of said office, were received.

The Board organized by electing a chairman and asecretary for the ensuing year. The question on the election of a chairman being put by the secretary, Mr. Prendergast voted for Mr. Peabody; Mr. Coakley voted for Mr. Peabody.

The question on the election of a secretary being put, Messrs. Prendergast and Coakley voted for George F. Clarke.

VOTED, that the chairman be authorized to approve drafts and bills and to sign contracts on behalf of the board.

VOTED, that Mr. Prendergast be chairman pro tem., and be authorized to approve drafts and bills in the absence of the chairman.

VOTED, that in the absence of the chairman and the chairman pro tem.,Mr. Coakley aat as chairman pro tem.,and be authorized to approve drafts and bills.

Communications from M. M. Cunniff, from the Street Laying-out Department,

and from Sylvester Baxter, regarding the extension of Wade street to Chestnut Hill drive, with reports from the Superintendent and the Engineer, were received and laid over.

A communication from William C. Prout, stating that the West End Improvement Association had appointed a committee to wait upon the Board regarding changes in Charlesbank Gymnasium, also a communication from C. R. Eliot regarding an instructor for said gymnasium, with report of the superintendent, were received and placed on file.

A communication from Councillor Matthew Hale regarding Charlesbank seats and walks, with a report from the Superintendent, was received, and the matter was referred to the Superintendent

A communication from E. B. Gallagher regarding additional seats for Franklin Park, with a report from the Superintendent, was received, and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

Executive Circular No. 18, regarding the retirement of veterans, was received, and the Secretary was instructed to send a list of the veterans who have been in the service of the department for the past ten years to the Mayor.

A communication from George C. Fitzpatrick regarding the boat service at Marine Park, was received and referred, with Mr. Gethro's proposal for the boat service, to the Superintendant for report.

A communication from the Mayor's secretary regarding increase of pay for Messrs. Hogan, Timson and Connor, with a report from the Superintendant, was received and laid over.

A communication from the Mayor's secretary regarding a meeting to be held May 26 on the subject of the care and conduct of playgrounds, with a report from the Superintendent, was received and placed on file.

A communication from Commissioner Rourke, regarding the exhibit at the National Congress and Exposition to be held in Chicago, September 18 to 30, with a report from the Superintendent, was received and referred to the Superintendent.

Communications and program of the City Planning Conference to beheld in Philadelphia May 15 to 17, were received and referred to the Chairman.

Reports by the Superintendent on conferences with Commissioner Rourke, regarding thepay of mechanics and requests of the Central Labor Union, with Mr. Rourke's reply to the Mayor, were received.

A communication from the Dorchester Gentlemen's Driving Club regarding the opening of the track for speeding, with a report by the Superintendent, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the Mosquito Fleet Yacht Club regarding changes in

the clubhouse, with the Superintendent's report, was received; and the Secretary was instructed to reply in accordance with the Superintendent's report.

A communication from Warren H. Manning, requesting the probable cost of maintaining the Zoo and Aquarium, with a report from the Superintendent and suggested reply by the Chairman, was held over to the next meeting.

A communication was received from the Mayor's Secretary regarding a conference to beheld by the Mayor with the City Council, regarding appropriations from the Parkman Fund for the equipment of the Zoo, and from taxes and loans for park and playground improvements, which was placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the proposed entrance to Franklin Field at Talbot and Blue Hill avenues, which was laid over.

Proposals for playground sites in wards 7 and 16 were taken up and laid over.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary, and petition from Thomas J. Mellen and others, regarding improvements on William Eustis Playground, with a report from the Superintendent, were received; and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

An order of the City Council requesting the Board to give a public hearing on the location of a playground in Ward 19, also a communication from Secretary Leahy with a petition for the playground to be located on Heath street, were considered; and the Secretary was instructed to refer the Council order to the Mayor.

A communication from Arthur M. Beale regarding Cottage-street playground site in Ward 16 was received and laid over.

Requests of Patrick J. Conley, James T. Donley and Thomas Carroll, for compensation for time lost on account of accidents, with the Superintendent's recommendations, were approved and sent to Captain Dyer to be submitted to the Committee on Claims of the City Council.

A request of the Boston Work-Horse Parade Association to use Commonwealth avenue,with the Superintendent's approval, was received; and it was

VOTED, to permit the Boston Work-Horse Parade Association to use Commonwealth avenue from the junction of Beacon street to St. Paul street, for the formation of its parade, and the south side of the avenue,from a point near the junction with Beacon street to Massachusetts avenue, for its parade, between 7.30 A.M. and 3 P.M.; also to construct a grandstand on Commonwealth avenue, and to place standards alongside the curbing; said stand to be removed as soon as may be after the parade, and the grounds cleaned up and left in acondition satisfactory to the Superintendent of Parks; the arrangement of the parade to be carried outunder the direction of the police.

A request of Park Department Assembly 7576 Knights of Labor for a picnic day, also Executive Circular No. 16, regarding Saturday half-holiday, with a report by the Secretary giving Mr. Babson's opinion on both subjects, were received; and the Secretary was instructed to get the opinion of the Corporation Counsel on the latter subject in writing.

Proposals were received as follows for Wood Island Park flagpole, with a report by the Engineer:

John Simmons Co.,	Steel 88'x 10¾"	$227.26
	Cost of protector $10.00	237.26
	Cost foundation tube $23.50	260.76
	Steel tubular pole 100' x 12¾" One piece complete with foundation tube etc.	350.00
	Same style two piece	390.00
	Same pole 14" but & 3" tip one piece	496.00
	two "	530.00
George Lawler & Son Corp.	90' hollow steel x 20" - furnishing and erecting	675.00
Union Spar Company,	Oregon Pine 90' x 20" set	395.00
	Same withouthard pine pieces and setting mast in cement	490.00
Boston Flag Pole Company	Oregon Pine 80' x 18"	455.00
Pigeon-Fraser Hollow Spar Company,	Oregon Pine 100' x 21", above ground 90' x 21", and erect	498.00
	Set in cement 7' deep $75.00 additional	

and it was

VOTED, to accept the proposal of the Pigeon-Fraser Hollow Spar Company.

A request of Ralph G. Stowell for the boating and refreshment privilege at Jamaica Pond, with the Superintendent's report thereon, was received; and it was

VOTED, that, with the approval of the Mayor, Ralph G. Stowell be granted the privilege of maintaining and operating for hire a public boat service, and of selling light refreshments, including confectionery and fruit (except bananas, water-melons and unshelled peanuts), at the boat landing at Jamaica Pond, for the season of 1911; on condition that he pay to the city on or before July 1, the sum of fifty dollars for said privilege, furnish an equipment of boats and landing facilities equal to those furnished heretofore, keep his premises for the sale of refreshments clean and tidy, lock the gate and oars up at night, and allow no one the use of the boats early in the morning unless an attendant is on duty: all of said service to be under the supervision of the police, and to be subject to revocation if the business is not carried on to the satisfaction of this Board.

A communication from George V. Wattendorf regarding restrictions on the land at the foot of Mt. Vernon street and Columbia Road, was received and referred to the Superintendent for report.

Communications from H. R. Morse regarding the laying out of a street adjoining Forest Hills Playground, with a report from Mr. Putnam, were received, and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from William Q. Wales, regarding leasing land between Mt. Bowdoin and Bird-street stations for a playground, was received; and the Secretary was instructed to reply that the Board regrets that it cannot lease the same.

A communication from F. G. Floyd, regarding betterments on account of the laying out of the Bellevue Hill section of West Roxbury Parkway, was received and referred to the Secretary for reply.

A proposition for a playground site on Mt. Ida was received, and the Secretary was instructed to reply that there is no appropriation for a playground in Ward 20.

A communication from Mr. Austin regarding specifications for the Aquarium building was received; and the Secretary was instructed to see Mr. Austin in regard to the same.

A request of the Board of Election Commissioners to place a booth on Marcella-street Playground was received and the request granted, the location of the booth to besatisfactory to the Superintendent.

A communication from F. N. Balch regarding Mr. Mowbray's qualifications as a director of the Aquarium, was received and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on an additional clerk required at Franklin Park office, which was read and laid over.

The Superintendent submitted a report on overtime bills still due, which was referred to the Superintendent to see the Mayor.

The Superintendent submitted a report requesting authority to employ additional laborers on Zoo construction, which was approved.

Mr. Coakley submitted the request of J. H. McCarthy to assign his contract for brick and granolithic walks at Charlesbank to John T. Shea, Jr.; and it was

VOTED, to authorize J. H. McCarthy to assign his contract for brick and granolithic walks at Charlesbank to John T. Shea, Jr., under article 1 of his contract.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, MAY 12, 1911

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the order of the City Council requesting that the fountain at the corner of East Cottage street and Columbia Road be removed; and the matter was referred to the chairman for reply.

An order of the City Council transferring $20,000,00 from the appropriation for Ward 15 Bathing Establishment to Strandway Playground, Locker and Sanitary Building, was received and placed on file.

A request of the Bath Trustees for the transfer of beaches on the Strandway, at North End Beach and Charlestown, and Wood Island Park, and for two floating bathhouses at Charlesbank, was received; and it was

VOTED, to give the Bath Trustees the control of said beaches and location for bathhouses from June 15, 1911 to June 15, 1912, under the same conditions as heretofore.

A request of the Postoffice Department for a combination letter and package box on Commonwealth avenue, between St. Paul and Pleasant streets, approved by the Superintendent, was received; and the Secretary was directed to issue a permit therefor.

A petition from physicians requesting that Ward 19 Playground be located at the top of Parker Hill was received and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of the Boston Elevated Railway Company for permission to make macadam landing places at various street crossings on Commonwealth avenue extension; and it was

VOTED, to refer the matter to the Superintendent to arrange with the Company, Mr. Prendergast not voting.

A communication from the Boston Elevated Railway Company regarding its yard at Forest Hills was received, and referred to the Superintendent to report what can be done to improve conditions there.

A request of the Wilkesbarre C. T. A. Regiment to hold an encampment at Castle Island the third week in August, also a protest from Rev. M. E. Twomey of St. Eulalia's Church, South Boston, were received; and it was

VOTED, to grant the request, details to be arranged with the Superintendent.

An opinion from the Corporation Counsel on the question of allowing overtime for men compelled to work on legal holidays and Saturday afternoon, was received; and it was

VOTED, that the Superintendent allow overtime to those obliged to work on said holidays and Saturday afternoon.

A request of the Boston Elevated Railway Company for the privilege of using the spur track on the Back Bay Fens, now in use between 1 and 5 P.M., to hold extra cars for the Wild West Show and Circus, between the hours of 3.30 and 5 and 9.30 and 11 P.M., for the weeks commencing May 15 and 29, was received; and it was

VOTED, to grant the request, Mr. Prendergast not voting.

Communications from the Mayor's Secretary regarding additional laborers, carpenters and masons, also in reference to increase of pay for G. W. H. Timson and C. A. Hogan, and overtime charges, were received and placed on file.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary stating that Mr. Peabody has been selected, with Messrs. Sullivan and Rourke, as a delegation to represent the City of Boston, at the Third National Convention on City Planning, to be held in Philadelphia May 15, 16 and 17, was received and placed on file.

A communication from John T. Shea, jr., requesting that he be allowed to assign the contract for Charlesbank walks as collateral security for one thousand dollars advanced on the same by Mrs, Mary Burns, was received and laid over.

The Superintendent's and Engineer's reports on the communication from Mr. Austin regarding estimates and specifications for the completion of the work at Prince-street Playground, were laid over pending application to the Mayor for an appropriation.

A communication from Mr. Austin regarding drawings and specifications for the Aquarium, with a sketch of the bird house, were received; and it was

VOTED, that Mr. Austin proceed with the Bird House drawings, as per recent sketch and conversations and letters with the Chairman.

VOTED, that Mr. Austin be asked to design a typical ice-cream and refreshment booth, and that prices for the same be obtained by advertisement, so that, if arrangements can be made with the holders of the privileges, one can be built at Wood Island Park andone at Castle Island.

VOTED, to discharge Richard J. Elvert, laborer, for inefficiency and lack of experience in laboring work, he having failed to ask for a hearing in accordance with the notice sent to him.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John F. O'Connell the sum of seven hundred seventy and 94/100 dollars, being for fourth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on filling on Orient Heights Playground, under his contract dated November 4, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favorcf said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground, Orient Heights.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Louis B. Cadario, the sum of one thousand four hundred seventy-nine and 00/100 dollars, being for fifth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary and locker building

on William Eustis Playground, under his contract dated September 22, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playgrounds Improvements.

A communication from the Mosquito Fleet Yacht Club, submitting alternative sketches for extension of its clubhouse, was received and referred to the Chairman.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from Andreas Blume, calling attention to the condition of Commonwealth avenue walk, which was referred to the Chairman for reply.

Communications from the Dorchester Gentlemen's Driving Club regarding the speedway were received and referred to the Chairman to acknowledge receipt.

VOTED, to change the position and rating of Thomas A. Callahan, assistant in charge of building at the Men's Gymnasium, Charlesbank, to custodian of building and gymnasium grounds, at $3.50 per day.

VOTED, that advertisement be made atonce for bids on the Strandway locker building and the steel work of the Bird Cage in Franklin Park, and that the locker building be placed opposite the end of Preble street, and twenty or thirty feet from the street line.

VOTED, that the Superintendent consult with Messrs. Shurtleff and Putnam, and construct at the Zoological Garden in Franklin Park the necessary sewers and water supply and stone walls for the Bear's Dens and Bird Cage and the Pond for aquatic birds; and that the Chairman request the Mayor's authority to do this work with the department force, without inviting proposals therefor by advertisement.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the boat service lease at Marine Park; and it was

VOTED, to accept the proposal of Frank J. Gethro, and that the contract be given to Gethro on condition of his agreeing to provisionsin regard to the size of passenger boats recommended by the Superintendent.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of the Mayor for explanation as to excess of expenditures in April over March; and the Secretary was instructed to send the Superintendent's report to the Mayor.

VOTED, to approve the application of Gabriel Farrell, for extension of his lease for boat service at Charlesbank for one year, on condition that the plans for the boat house and float are approved by the Metropolitan Park Commission.

A communication from Mr. Manning, requesting the probable cost of maintaining the Zoo and Aquarium, together with the report from the Superintendent laid over from the last meeting, was referredto the Chairman for reply.

VOTED, that the Superintendent be authorized to make requisition on the Civil Service for an additional clerk at the Franklin Park office, as recommended by him.

The Superintendent was instructed to employ Dr. Daniel S. White for veterinary services when occasion requires.

VOTED, that the Superintendent be asked to see what rule will be required to permit boats and canoes on the Fens.

VOTED, that the Secretary be asked to interview those having similar privileges and learn if somebody would not maintain swanboats on the Fens.

VOTED, that the St. Columbkill Church be permitted to hold a field day at Rogers Park, June 24, under the direction and control of the Superintendent of Parks.

A letter was sent in answer to acommunication from E. A.Gilmore, President of the Bay State Automobile Association, relative to the rules concerning the use by motor vehicles of Commonwealth avenue, between Arlington street and the Ericson Statue.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, MAY 23, 1911

A public hearing was held by the Board in the aldermanic chamber of City Hall, at 4 P.M.,on petition for a change in the automobile regulations in Commonwealth avenue between Arlington street and the Ericson Statue, Messrs. Peabody and Coakley were present. A newspaper report of the hearing is on file.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, MAY 25, 1911

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828, Tremont Building, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on additional filling needed at Orient Heights Playground, suggesting an upset price of forty-five cents per cubic yard; and it was

VOTED, to advertise for bids for 3000 cubic yards to be delivered in thirty days.

The Superintendent submitted a report on his conference with the Boston Elevated Railway officials, regarding landings at various places on Commonwealth avenue; and the Superintendent's report was approved.

The Superintendent submitted reports on proposals for playgrounds in wards 7 and 16, which were laid over.

A communication was received from the Mayor's Secretary regarding land on Magnolia street for a playground in Ward 16; and the Superintendent was instructed to confer with Chairman Logue of the Schoolhouse Commission.

A communication was received from the Mayor's Secretary regarding a conference with the Ward 19 people, which was laid over.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of the School Committee, that certain children's corners be fenced, which was referred to the Secretary to reply to the School Committee in accordance with the Superintendent's report.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the order of the City Council regarding grading, resurfacing, etc. at Neponset Playground. Chairman to reply.

An order of the City Council regarding acquisition of land at the foot of Walnut street, Ward 24, for a public landing, was received and referred to the Superintendent for report.

Recommendations of the Committee on Claims to recompense James T. Donley, Patrick Connolly 1st and Thomas Connell, for injuries received, were received, and the Chairman was authorized to approve the same when approved by the Mayor.

A communication from John J. Attridge regarding vacant land on Genessee street, Ward 9, for playground purposes, which was referred to the Superintendent for report.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the failure of the Mayor to approve certain mechanics selected for service in this department, which was approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the offer of Mr. Benson to donate certain animals and birds to the Zoo; and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from Secretary Leahy, stating that the Mayor desires to

postpone appointment of superintendents of the Zoo and Aquarium until the question of creating a new department of public recreation is decided, was received and referred to the Chairman for reply.

The Mayor's approval to proceed with the doing of certain work on Zoo construction by the department force was received and placed on file.

The Superintendent and Secretary submitted reports on Mr. Wattendorf's request for release of restrictions on Mt. Vernon street and Columbia Road; and the Secretary was instructed to confer with Mr. Wattendorf.

A communication from M. M. Cunniff, regarding the extension of Wade street or the acquisition of his land for park purposes, was received and laid over

A communication from Police Commissioner O'Meara regarding automobile traffic on Commonwealth avenue was received and placed on file.

A communication from the Street Laying-Out Department, regarding the widening of Park street between Geneva and Dorchester avenues, requesting permission to take a ten-foot strip from Christopher Gibson Playground for said purpose, was received and laid over.

A communication from J. J. Driscoll, for the Mosquito Fleet Yacht Club, with sketch, regarding the extension of its clubhouse, was received and referred to the Superintendent for report.

A request of Rev. D. W. Lenehan, of the Church of Our Lady of the Presentation, to use Rogers Park on Saturday, July 1, for a field day, was received; and it was

VOTED, to grant the request.

VOTED, that the General Rules adopted by the Board August 31, 1903, and subsequently amended, be further amended by inserting in rule 5 after the word "drive" the words,-on Commonwealth avenue, between Arlington street and the Ericson statue, in either direction, except on the driveway on the right of the parkway, or-

VOTED, that the special regulations, concerning the exclusion and use of motor vehicles in the Boston parks and parkways, adopted July 12, 1909, be and the same are herby amended by striking out regulations 2 and 3 and inserting in place thereof the following rule to be numbered 2:

2. On Commonwealth avenue, between Arlington street and the Ericson statue, and between Beacon street and Brighton avenue, motor vehicles travelling in either direction shall use the driveway on the right of the parkway only.

Regulations 4 and 5 are hereby renumbered 3 and 4.

The Superintendent was instructed to see Mr. Dudley, Secretary Civil Service Commission, in reference to the change of rating of T. A. Callahan, and to get examination papers of three candidates for instructor or janitor.

A communication from Mitchell Freiman, Secretary West End Improvement Association, in regard to the appointment of an instructor for Charlesbank. was received and placed on file.

VOTED, that the following regulations governing the use of boats in the Fens be adopted:

Only rowboats not to exceed 14 feet in length, canoes, and swanboats of design and equipment such as shall be approved by the Board of Park Commissioners, will be permitted in the Fens.

Landings shall be made only at such places as may be provided for the purpose and suitably marked.

Leo F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, JUNE 1, 1911

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr.Prendergast's office, 87 Milk street, at 3 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Prendergast.

A report was received from the Superintendent, submitting the examination papers of three candidates for the position of physical instructor in gymnasiums and for janitor, and stating that he had found nothing on the Civil Service registers that would meet the requirement of superintendent of gymnasiums or gymnasium buildings other than these. The report was placed on file.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. H. McCarthy the sum of two thousand six hundred ninety-two and 80/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on brick and concrete walks on Charlesbank, under his contract dated November 8, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to theappropriation for Charlesbank Improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John F. O'Connell the sum of seven hundred three and 47/100 dollars, being for fifth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on filling on Orient Heights Playground,under his contract dated November 4, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Orient Heights.

BOSTON, JUNE 13, 1911

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 3.45 P.M.. Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting and of special meeting of June 1, were read and approved.

An order of the City Council appropriating $3000 from the Parkman Fund for additional seating accommodations in the parks and grounds that come under the terms of the will, was received ; and it was

VOTED, to advertise for proposals for settees on designs prepared by the department or submitted by bidders.

A communication was received from John MacDonald, requesting allowance for filling on his land in constructing Stratton street; and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from A. M. Huddell, of the Building Trades Union, stating that the park department stone masons were not receiving the customary wages, was received; and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from Warren F. Freeman regarding restrictions on building a two-family cement house, costing $7000, on land of Macauley and Brown, on the Arborway, was received. The Secretary stated that Mr. Babson ruled that the proposed house, if not occupied by more than two families, does not come within clause two of the restrictions; and the Secretary was instructed to reply to Mr. Freeman accordingly.

VOTED, that the City Treasurer be requested to pay Mrs. Mary Pendergast the amounts due James F. Pendergast on the Franklin Park payroll A for the weeks ending April 27 and May 4.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary, stating that the Mayor wishes to consider a little further before giving approval to increase of pay for timekeepers C. W. H. Timson and C. A. Hogan, was received and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report in regard to the schedule of band concerts to be given by the Music Department in the parks and playgrounds; and it was

VOTED, to approve the schedule submitted by the Music Department.

The Superintendent submitted a report on complaint of John H. Clarke, received through the Mayor's office, of the method of assigning diamonds for ball games at Franklin Field; and the matter was referred to the Chairman to reply to the Mayor.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the bids for the Strandway Playground locker and sanitary building as follows:

J. E. Locatelli Company	$18,540.00
James F. Flaherty	18,700.00
McGahey & O'Connor	18,937.00
McDonald & Kivell	24,471.00
Shawmut Contracting Company	21,560.00
Louis B. Cadario	22,629.00
Hapgood Frost Company	23,676.00
W. H. Keyes & Company	23,261.00
A. Piotti	24,858.00

and it was

VOTED, to reject all the bids.

The Superintendent was instructed to change the specifications and readvertise the contract.

A certified copy of the action of the Highway Commission on the change in motor vehicle rules was received and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of the Burgess Company and Curtis, for permission to tow aeroplanes from Brookline to Forest Hills, through the parkways; and it was

VOTED, to grant permission on the conditions recommended by the Superintendent.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from the Board of Health regarding the foul condition of the Strandway flats; and the Superintendent was instructed to confer with Dr. Durgin.

Executive Circulars Nos. 20 and 22, relating to the retirement system and the retirement of veterans, were received and referred to the Superintendent for report.

Executive Circular No. 21, requesting the heads of departments, before making requisitions on the Civil Service, to notify the Mayor of the number of employees desired, their designations and compensations, was received and referred to the Superintendent.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of the Pilgrim Publicity Association for permission to assemble automobiles on Commonwealth avenue, August 2; and it was

VOTED, to grant the request of the Pilgrim Publicity Association to use the south side of Commonwealth avenue for the assembling of automobiles, August 2, in connection with the convention of the Associated Advertising Clubs of America, between Massachusetts avenue and Arlington street, from 1.30 to 2 P.M.

A communication from E. Peabody Gerry, Chairman Committee on Public Buildings, Parks, Grounds and Trees, of the Jamaica Plain Citizens' Aasociation, re-

garding additional seats and police protection, was received; and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

A requestof the Election Commissioners, for permission to locate a polling booth on Columbia Road at East Ninth and I streets, was received; and it was

VOTED, to grant permission to the Election Department to locate a voting booth on Columbia Road,at East Ninth and I streets, under the direction of the Superintendent.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary, regarding the purchase of a lot of land at Fremont, Dayton and Mall streets, was received and placed on file.

The Mayor's approval to the engagement of L. L. Mowbray as manager of the Aquarium was received and placed on file.

Proposals for resurfacing three sections of the Riverway drive, received May 29, also proposals for trap rock and Roxbury stone, received April 10 and May 10, were considered as follows:

	Bermudez Asphalt	Asphaltic Concrete	Tarvia Sec. 1	Tarvia Sec. 2
Jeremiah J. Sullivan	$1.75		$1.40	$1.40
Warren Brothers Company		$1.15		
William J. Barry	1.10		.98	.89
John McCourt & Company			1.17	.97
Jones & Meehan	.81		.78	.65
J.C.Coleman & Sons Company	.82		.63	.63

TRAP ROCK

	Riverway	Columbia Road
P. F. Donovan (Not trap rock)	$1.65	$1.45
Lane Quarry Company	1.70	1.70
Hugh Nawn Contracting Company	2.00	2.00

CRUSHED ROXBURY STONE

	Riverway	Columbia Road
Hugh Nawn Contracting Company	$1.50	$1.50
J. C. Coleman & Sons Company	1.54	1.74
P. F. Donovan	1.70	1.55
Bleiler Contracting Company	1.50	1.65
Beatty Construction Company	1.50	1.70

and it was

VOTED, to reject all the bids and and to advertise a contract for laying Bermudez or Trinidad asphalt macadam on all three sections of the roadway.

A proposition of John J. Paget to place swanboatson the Fens, also pro-

posing to provide a general boating service, for three years, at $50.00 per annum, was received and referred to the Superintendent for report.

Proposals for filling on Orient Heights Playground, received June 5, were considered as follows:

A. DeStephano	$0.60
John F. O'Connell	.70
Emilio DiChristoforo	.79½
Frank Williams & Company	1.00

and it was

VOTED, to reject all the bids and to make an open price percubic yard for all the filling delivered there.

The Superintendent submitted a report on land proposals for Ward 16, which was laid over.

VOTED, to refer to Captain Dyer, for the Committee on Claims, the application of Martin Feeley, park employee, for compensation for time lost on account of accident while in the discharge of his duties.

The Chairman was instructed to write to the Mayor, recommending the sale of the triangular lot at the corner of Chestnut Hill avenue and Commonwealth avenue, and acquiring the land of Josephine Cunniff at Chestnut Hill Park.

A communication was received from Henry J. D. Small, Secretary South Boston Citizens' Association, calling attention to additions and alterations contemplated at the Peninsula Hotel, City Point, and requesting co-operation in opposing such additions, etc. before the Excise Commission. The Superintendent was instructed to look into the matter.

Geo. F. Kelcey
Secretary

BOSTON, JUNE 16, 1911

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at City Hall, at 4.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. H. McCarthy the sum of one thousand nine hundred seven and 00/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on brick and concrete walks on Charlesbank, under his contract dated November 8, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to

be charged to the appropriation for Charlesbank Improvement.

A hearing was given to all persons interested in the proposed playground in the Parker Hill district, Ward 19, inthe Aldermanic Chamber. A newspaper report is on file.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, JUNE 22, 1911

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 3.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. Therecords of the last meeting and of special meeting of June 16 were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from the South Boston Citizens' Association, received through the Mayor's office, requesting that a drinking fountain be erected on the Strandway, between the boy's bath-house and the Boston Yacht Club house; and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from the South Boston Citizens' Association, received through the Mayor's office, complaining of odors from Marine Park pond; and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

An order of the City Council, requesting that William Eustis Playground shower baths be kept open until 10 P.M., during the summer, was received and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the claim of Joseph Batts, for compensation for loss of time, doctor's bills and hospital service, on account of an accident to his eye; and the Secretary was instructed to send the claim to Captain Dyer, for the Committee on Claims.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the bids received for walls and iron work for bear dens June 14, as follows:

WALLS IN BEAR DENS

John A. Rooney	$11,445.00	
Carroll Construction Company	11,750.00	
Martin F. Culbert	12,870.00	
West Roxbury Trap Rock Co.	21,995.00	
Shawmut Contracting Co.	22,221.00	
	1,056.00	add for Hingham seam face granite
	1.50	per cubic yard rock excavation.

IRON WORK FOR BEAR DENS

Smith & Lovett Company	$7,700.00	Puddled iron add $340.00 Auditor's copy 840.00 Galvanized & not painted add $1600.00 Window bars included.
W. A. Snow Iron Works	7,740.00	Soffits under hood to be continuous
Fred A. Houdlette & Son	17,435.00	

and it was

VOTED, to award the contracts to the lowest bidders.

Requests for bonfires at Orient Heights and Marcella-street playgrounds, on the night of July 3, were received; and the Superintendent was instructed to issue permits.

A communication from John MacDonald, regarding damages for filling on his land for the construction of Stratton street, Franklin Field, was received and placed on file.

Notice was received from the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners, regarding a hearing on the application of the American Buildings Trust, to build structures in the harbor adjoining Marine Park; and the Superintendent and the Secretary were instructed to attend the hearing.

A communication from the Edison Electric Illuminating Company, stating that the proposed conduit in Commonwealth avenue is preliminary to the removal of wires, was received and placed on file. The Chairman stated that the Company's representative informed him that the Company intended to put all its high tension wires underground in three years.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary, stating that the Mayor will recommend to the City Council an appropriation for $5000 for the purchase and improvement of land on Fremont and Dayton avenues, Ward 17, for a playground, was received and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report regarding the retirement of veterans; and the Superintendent was instructed to prepare a list of veterans for submission to the Mayor.

The following proposals for land for playgrounds in wards 5, 19 and 20 were received in answer to advertisements:

WARD 5

Mary A.Carr	12,000 sq.ft.	$1.50 per foot	Water & Carey streets
Joseph A. Donovan	22,895.7 "	50,000.00	Lawrence, Benedict and Chapman streets
		49,800.00	Assessed value
Patrick McCaffrey	2,260 "	4,500.00	85 Washington street
		3,700.00	Assessed value 1910

WARD 19

Owner	Area sq.ft.	Price	Location
E. N. Foss	164,000	28 ¢ per ft	Reservoir site - any part
E. N. Foss	126,500	40 ¢ " "	Between Fisher & Parker Hill avenues - any part.
Gordon Dexter	497,000	35 ¢ " "	Parker Hill avenue, Hillsdale, Calumet & Darling streets - any part.
Henry W. Kelly. Agent Frederick Bleiler	300,000	20 ¢ " "	Heath, Day & Grotto Glen
Joseph Balch Nickerson Land Trust	165,000	35 ¢ " "	South Huntington ave.,Heath, Cranford & Floyd streets. Assessed at about 38 ¢ per ft.
Joseph Balch Crafts Estate	80,000	$55,000.00	Kempton street and opposite Wait street, abutting Farragut School. Assessed at $48,000.00
John J. Conroy			-85
Weitz Estate	24,910	30,350.00	1481/Tremont st.Assessed $17,100
Lefevre Estate	12,070		1473 " " " 7,500
John J. Conroy Weitz Estate	17,000	9,000.00	1481-85 rear of said lots on line 100 ft from Tremont street.
T. B. Munroe	120,000	45 ¢ per ft	Parker, Archibald & Halleck sts., and place on north side of lots which front on Caldwell street.
Frank A. Day	76,000	$55,000.00	Roxbury street facing Norfolk sq.

WARD 20

Joseph C. O'Kane	79,142	18,000.00	413 Bowdoin st.cor.Hancock & Winter Assessed at $19,800,with bldgs 22,800.
" "	122,635	23,000.00	87 Olney st.Assessed at 12,300.00
" "	27,682	10,000.00	73 Olney st. " " 9,200.00
" "	116,451	20,000.00	93 Olney st " " 14,000.00
" "	60,985.	15,000.00	181 Bowdoin st " " 10,100.00
Edward J. O'Brien	50,000	18¾ ¢ per ft	Levant st.through to Homes ave.
R. S. FitzGerald	116,000	25 ¢ " "	P. F. Carey Estate - Mt. Ida.
Heirs Hannah T. Bliss	32,641 & bldgs	10,500.00	Mt. Ida - Adams street
E.N.Capen & Heirs C.M.Carter	39,788	6,000.00	" " Robinson ave.
Heirs Franklin King	40,506	6,000.00	" " " "
Heirs Charles Emery	34,444	5,600.00	" " Adams street

The Superintendent submitted a report on the bids received for seam-faced granite or Roxbury stone for the bear dens, as follows:

	Seam-faced Granite	Roxbury Stone
Hingham Seam Face Granite Company	75¢ per superficial foot	
J. C. Coleman & Sons Company		49¢ per sq.ft. face measure

and it was

VOTED, to reject all the bids.

The Superintendent submitted a report on Executive Circular No. 21, in regard to requisitions on the Civil Service Commission, also in relation to a clerk and two substitute matrons; and the Superintendent was instructed to prepare the necessary papers to make requisition for a clerk, and to appoint two matrons, as recommended by him.

A communication from J. J. O'Callaghan, Secretary Street LayingOout Department, in regard to the proposed widening of Park street, adjoining Christopher Gibson Playground, was received and referredto the Chairman for reply.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from William D. Austin, regarding Prince-street Playground work; and the matter was laid over pending an appropriation.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the Callahan case and the appointment of an instructor at Charlesbank; and the matter was referred to Mr. Coakley to confer with Mr. Curtis of the Civil Service Commission.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from the Directors of the Dorchester Home, received through the Mayor, in regard to obtaining land for a playground in Ward 24, bounded by Neponset avenue, Assabet, Train and Mill streets, which was placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the letter from the Board of Health, in regard to offensive flats at the Strandway dump, which was placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of the Frauen Zerein Society, for leave to hold a picnic at Castle Island, June 29; and it was

VOTED, to allow them to hold a picnic but not to charge for refreshments.

An expression of thanks from the Dorchester Gentlemen's Driving Club, to the Superintendent, for his efforts to complete the speedway, was received and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the order of the City Council with reference to the acquisition of land at the foot of Walnut street, Ward 24, and that a public landing be erected there; and the Secretary was instructed to reply in accordance with the Superintendent's report.

VOTED, to authorize Mr. Kiley to make an offer of $18,000 for the Dacia street lot.

The Chairman stated that he had written the Mayor that Mrs. Cunniff's land was for sale, suggesting the sale of the lot at the junction of Commonwealth and Chestnut Hill avenues, the proceeds to be used for acquiring other land.

Geo. F. McCarthy
Secretary

BOSTON, JUNE 30, 1911

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 3 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from the Mayor's Secretary regarding plans accompanying communications from J. H. Hodsdon, for the American Buildings Trust, with reference to changes proposed in the line of the reserved channel in connection with the development of an industrial terminal on East First street, adjoining Marine Park, which was referred to the Superintendent for report.

The following were received and placed on file: communications from the Mayor's Secretary regarding investigation of the Reservoir lots on Parker Hill, and recommendation of the Mayor for an additional appropriation for playground accommodations in Ward 19, also recommendation of the Mayor for the transfer of $3000 from the Reserve Fund to special appropriation for Prince-street Playground Improvements, and communication from John C. Kiley in regard to the transfer of a portion of the Magnolia-street lot for a playground site.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary, with accompanying communication from the Secretary of the School Committee, regarding charge for the care of the children's corners and discontinuance of payment to the park department, was received and referred to the Chairman for reply.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary, with accompanying petition requesting that Seaver street be widened, was received and referred to the Chairman for reply. The Secretary was instructed to inform the petitioners that the Board does not favor the widening of Seaver street by the taking of Franklin Park land.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary regarding the suggestion of Representative J. T. Kenney, that a piece of land owned by the Boston Elevated Railway Company on Lambert avenue be taken for a playground, was placed on file, the Chairman already having replied that there is no appropriation for a playground.

A communication from Mayor Fitzgerald regarding the Fens' site for the High School of Commerce, and communication from the School Department, were received and referred to the Chairman to interview the Schoolhouse Commission and School Committee as to the proposed site.

Executive Circular No. 23, regarding the annual encampment of the G. A. R. and the annual manoeuvre of the M. V. M., granting leave of absence to members of said departments, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the Wire Commissioner regarding the removal of wires on Commonwealth avenue was received and placed on file.

A protest from the St. Alfonsus Association to the spending of any money obtained through the efforts of said Association on playgrounds south of Parker Hill was received and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on applications for concessions to sell refreshments at Wood Island Park, July 4th; and it was

VOTED, to grant the same.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the application of S. D. Pray, for a covered team and refreshment stand concession at the Speedway grandstand, on Saturdays, during the season of 1911; and it was

VOTED, not to grant the same.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Frederick A. Houdlette & Son,Inc., the sum of one thousand four hundred seven and 28/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on iron fencing at Charlesbank, under their contract dated March 31, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Charlesbank Improvement.

Bids for erecting an aquarium building at Marine Park, also for heating and ventilating and refrigerating plant, received June 22, were considered as follows:

Name of bidder	#1 Whole Work	#2 Whole Work Tin Roof	#3 Ex Head House Tile Roof	#4 do Tin Roof	#5 With Grading	#6 Brick	#7 do Ex Head House
W. H. Keyes Company	$123,305	120,605	101,003	97,305	128,131	127,261	
Woodbury & Leighton Co.	126,500	123,000					
Jones & Meehan	114,000	111,000	92,000	91,500	116,800	119,400	96,800
William Crane	107,670	104,548	89,333	88,668	add4000	109,325	90,333
McGahey & O'Connor	126,550	125,183	114,550	114,388	add5800	127,925	127,155
Carroll ConstructionCo.	88,818	Deduct 3,470	Deduct 8,446	Deduct 10,810	add5400	#6 & #7 No difference from #1 & #3	

HEATING, VENTILATING AND PIPING AQUARIUM BUILDING

		Omitting Head House Work
J. J. Hurley & Company	$20,540.00	$20.120.00
L. W. Taylor Company	17,283.00	16,885.00
Pierce & Cox	22,195.00	21,720.00
Ingalls & Kendricken	24,240.00	23,800.00
William H. Gallison Company	24,590.00	24,015.00
Laskey & McMurrer	15,887.00	15,460.00
Lynch & Woodward	19,870.00	19,458.00
James P. Dwyer	18,647.00	18,262.00
Albert B. Franklin	21,615.00	21,074.00

REFRIGERATING MACHINERY FOR AQUARIUM BUILDING

	Item 1	Item 2
Bay State Construction & Supply Company	$7,110.00	$1,311.50
" " " " "	9,061.00	1,311.50
" " " " "	8,292.50	1,311.50
Frick Company	7,724.00	1,080.00
The Fred W. Wolf Company	10,500.00	1,875.00
Creamery Package Manufacturing Company	6,170.00	850.00
Brunswick Refrigerating Company	8,965.00	1,045.00

and it was

VOTED, to award the contract for the Aquarium Building to the Carroll Construction Company ($94,218.00), the heating and ventilating to Laskey & McMurrer ($15,887.00), and the refrigerating machinery to the Bay State Construction and Supply Company ($7,110.00).

The bid of the Creamery Package Manufacturing Company was rejected as not being in accordance with the specifications.

Proposals for asphalt macadam on the Riverway, and for the Strandway Playground sanitary and locker building, received June 28, were considered. The bids were as follows:

ASPHALT MACADAM

Bidder	Bermudez Per sq.yd.	Trinidad Per sq.yd.	Acme Pr sq.yd.	Asphaltic Concrete Per sq.yd.
Jones & Meehan	$0.789	$0.789		
J. C. Coleman & Sons Company	.73	.69		
William J. Barry	.98	.98	$0.86	
Warren Brothers Company				$1.15

STRANDWAY PLAYGROUND SANITARY & LOCKER BUILDING

For the Building Complete	With Sheathed Ceilings and Partitions, and		Metal and Plaster Ceilings and Partitions, and	
	Tin Roof	Copper Roof	Tin Roof	Copper Roof
A. Piotti	$17,150	$18,475	$17,600	$18,880
McDonald & Kivell	21,092	22,422	21,592	22,922
Louis B. Cadario	19,438	20,300	19,830	20,700
J. E. Locatelli Company, Inc.	17.441	18,791	17,461	18,786
Strout Brothers Construction Co.	18,058	19,158	18,104	19,204
McGahey & O'Connor	19,256	20,477	19,356	21,077
William Crane	19,409	20,659	19,619	20,883

and it was

VOTED, to accept the bid of J. C. Coleman & Sons Company for Bermudez as-

phalt, and J. E. Locatelli Company for the sanitary and locker building with metal and plaster ceilings and partitions and tin roof.

VOTED, that the Chairman be requested to report on the substitution of a copper roof for the tile roof specified for the Aquarium building, also for brick walls in place of terra cotta.

The Superintendent submitted a report on a playground site adjoining the Mission Church on Tremont street, Ward 19, also a report on a site bounded by Parker, Archibald and Halleck streets and a place on the northerly side of lots fronting on Caldwell street; and the matters were laid over.

The Superintendent submitted a report on a communication from the South Boston Citizens' Association, regarding additions and alterations at the Peninsula Hotel, South Boston; and the matter was referred to Mr. Coakley.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary regarding the sale of land at Chestnut Hill Park and the purchase of other lots was received and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the application of Frank Mignosa for a refreshment stand at Jamaica Pond; and it was

VOTED, not to grant the request.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of the Music Department for band concerts in the parks July 4th; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the Music Trustees to give the band concerts requested by them, in accordance with the Superintendent's report.

Claims of Mrs. E. F. Cameron for injuries to Mrs. Marple, caused by brush covering seeded strips on Columbia Road, and of Bertha Bokelman for injuries caused by falling into a trench near the John Boyle O'Reilly monument in the Fens, were received and referred to Captain Dyer, Inspector of Claims.

A communication from John C. Kiley, stating that Mr. O'Kane declines the offer of the Board for the Dacia and Danube streets land for a playground in Ward 16, was received; and it was

VOTED, to accept the offer of Joseph C. O'Kane, of April 1, for the Dacia street lot.

VOTED, that the Superintendent carry out the contract of J. H. McCarthy, for brick and granolithic walks at Charlesbank, as originally intended.

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Secretary

BOSTON, JULY 1, 1911

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr. Prendergast's office, 87 Milk street, at 10.30 A.M. Present Messrs.Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew.

A conference was held with Mr. Clark, from the office of T. B. Munroe, as to the boundaries and areaof the lot of land offered by him for a playground in Ward 19. Subsequently, the Secretary was instructed to ask the Corporation Counsel if the Board has authority to take this land under the loan order of July 26, 1907, for "Playground, Parker Hill."

The Secretary was also instructed to have a taking plan made for the land on Dacia and Danube streets, offered by Joseph O'Kane, for a playground in Ward 16, whose offer was accepted at the last meeting.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, JULY 6, 1911

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr.Prendergast's office, 87 Milk street, at 3 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Prendergast, Mr. Coakley being absent from the city.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Louis B. Cadario the sum of one thousand nine hundred three and 50/100 dollars, being for sixth and final estimate of work done and material furnsihed on sanitary and locker building on William Eustis Playground, under his contract dated September 22, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playgrounds Improvements.

A communication was sent to the Acting Mayor, requesting that he recommend to the City Council a change in the designation of the appropriation of $60,000 for a playground in the Parker Hill district, so that the money could be used, together with the appropriation of $40,000 now under consideration by the City Council, for the purchase of a playground or playgrounds in Ward 19.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, JULY 14, 1911

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was heldat Mr. Prendergast's office, 87 Milk street, at 3 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Prendergast. The records of the last meeting and of adjourned meeting of July 1 and special meeting of July 6 were read and approved.

A communication from E. B. Gallagher regarding granolithic walks on Talbot avenue, and the Superintendent's report on the same, were received and referred to the Chairman for reply.

An order of the City Council requesting the removal of the Seaver street boundary wall was received and referred to the Chairman for reply.

A communication from the Boston Archery Club, regarding a site in Franklin Park for archery, was received and referred to the Superintendent for report.

A communication from Ann M. Jacobs, offering a lot on Homes avenue, Mt. Ida, for a playground in Ward 20, with Mr. Putnam's report thereon, were received: and the Secretary was instructed to acknowledge Mrs. Jacob's letter.

A communication from Acting Mayor Collins, regarding a picnic day for Park employees, and the Superintendent's report in regard to granting a holiday only to those who attend the picnic, were received and laid over.

Orders of the City Council regarding the removal of two trees in Franklin Field, near Callender street, and appropriating $4000 from the Reserve Fund to Mystic Playground, sea wall and fence, were received and placed on file.

The Superintendent's report on the need of an assistant to Mr. Putnam was received and laid over.

Communications from the Edison Electric Illuminating Company regarding locations for two poles on Commonwealth avenue, near Hinsdale street and west of St. Paul street, were received; and it was

VOTED, that the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston be authorized to place and maintain a pole for the support of wires on Commonwealth avenue west of Hinsdale street, at a point designated by a red dot on a plan, signed by W. H. Cole, dated June 13, 1911, and deposited in the office of this Board, said pole not to exceed fifty feet in height by fifteen inches in diameter, and to be removed at any time upon notice from this Board; also to remove one pole from Commonwealth avenue west of Hinsdale street, as shown on said plan.

VOTED, that the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston be authorized to place and maintain a pole for the support of wires on Commonwealth avenue about 385 feet west of St. Paul street, at a point designated by a red dot on a plan, signed by W.H.Cole, dated June 9, 1911, and deposited in the office of this Board, said pole not to exceed fifty feet in height by fifteen inches in

diameter, and to be removed at any time upon notice from this Board; also to remove one pole from Commonwealth avenue as shown on said plan.

A communication from the Claims Committee, recommending settlement of the claim of Martin Feeley, for time lost on account of an accident, was approved and sent to the Mayor for his approval.

A communication was received from the Acting Mayor regarding a proposition offered by T. L. Hayes for leasing a playground site in Mattapan, on Cakland street; and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from the trustees of the Henry Lee Estate, regarding a building to be erected at the corner of Massachusetts and Commonwealth avenues, was received and referred to the Chairman for reply.

An application from Edward M. Gorman, for permission to locate a refreshment stand at Wood Island Park, during the hot season, was received; and it was

VOTED, not to grant the request.

The Superintendent's report on the communication from R. T. Paine, regarding the removal of two street crossings on Commonwealth avenue, was received; and the matter was laid over.

A communication from Miss Rebecca Wolcovich, received through the Mayor's office, regarding provision at Albany and Dover streets, for a recreation ground for that section of the city, was received and referred to the Superintendent for report.

A communication from the Board of Health about sanitary conditions at the Public Landing, Marine Park, with a report from the Superintendent, was received and referred to the Superintendent to indicate further what he plans to do.

VOTED, that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of William D. Austin, for $2800.00, on account of commission and services in regard to the Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. H. McCarthy, the sum of two thousand one hundred seventy-three and 82/100 dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done andmaterial furnished on brick and concrete walks on Charlesbank, under his contract dated November 8, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Charlesbank Improvement.

VOTED, that the City Treasurer be requested to pay to Mrs. Mary J.Mulvee, sister of Michael Farren, deceased, the amount due him on the pay rolls of this department.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Secretary

BOSTON, JULY 31, 1911

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr. Prendergast's office, 87 Milk street, at 5 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Prendergast, Mr. Cowley being absent from the city; also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from the Corporation Counsel, in regard to the proposed building which the trustees of the Henry Lee Estate propose to erect on the corner of Massachusetts and Commonwealth avenues; and a letter was sent to the trustees as recommended by the Corporation Counsel.

A communication was sent to Mr. Austin, in regard to the piling at the Aquarium Building, stating the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, which the Board had received.

A communication was received from the Mayor's Secretary, stating that the Acting Mayor desires further information as to the urgency of the need of awarding the contract for the work at Prince-street Playground without advertising; and the Chairman was instructed to reply.

A communication was received from W. J. Downing, President of the Harvard Improvement Association, in regard to a promenade walk within Franklin Field along Talbot avenue, urging immediate action, which was laid over.

The Superintendent was instructed to prepare specifications for building earth tennis courts at Franklin Field, and to secure bids for constructing them when the plans and specifications are approved by the Chairman.

A communication was received from R. J. Stowell, requesting an opportunity to apply for the concession of maintaining a stand for the sale of light refreshments at the Refectory Building, Franklin Park, if provision is to be made there for that purpose, which was placed on file

A communication from John J. Paget, stating that he believes it impossible to install a swanboat in the Fens, as there would be no appreciable demand for such service, and rowboats and canoes would be unsafe and impracticable, owing to the lack of lighting facilities, was received and placed on file.

The Secretary was instructed to confer with Mr. Babson, in regard to the taking for a playground in Ward 16, and to endeavor to clear up any misunderstanding in regard to the power of the Board to make this taking.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John F. O'Connell the sum of five hundred Ninety-seven and 82/100 dollars, being for sixth and final estimate of work done and material furnished on filling on Orient Heights Playground, under his contract dated November 4, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request of the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground, Orient Heights.

Wm. F. Prendergast
Secretary

BOSTON, AUGUST 7, 1911

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr. Prendergast's office, 87 Milk street, at 3 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley; also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the bids received for loam on the Fens; and it was

VOTED, to accept the lowest bid if the Superintendent is satisfied that the work canbe finished by the second week in September.

The bids were as follows:

Charles J. Jacobs Company	$1.10 per cu.yd.
Michael H. Norton,	1.27 " "
George H. Noone,	1.40 " "
Coleman Brothers,	1.85 " "
John McCourt & Company	1.90 " "(2500 yds.)

The Superintendent submitted a report in regard to the Prince-street Playground work. Also communications were received from the Finance Commission to the Acting Mayor, and from the Mayor's Secretary, as to the letting of contracts without advertising; and it was

VOTED, to advertise for proposals for doing the work at Prince-street Playground, including the concrete and setting the iron and steel work.

VOTED, that the Superintendent advertise for proposals for setting the balustrades and steps at Franklin Field Terrace.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the application of the Hotel Somerset, for a permit for three motor-cab stands; andit was

VOTED, that the Franklin Automobile Company be permitted to stand three motor cabs, until further notice, on Charlesgate East, between Commonwealth avenue and Newbury street, on the side of the Hotel Somerset, the cabs when on the stands to remain at least fifty feet apart.

The Superintendent submitted a report on progress at Orient Heights Playground, which was placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from the engineer of the Midland Division of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company, regarding the division of cost of the erection of a concrete wall or fence where Columbus-avenue Playground adjoins the Railroad Company's property; and the matter was laid over pending procuring bids for the construction of the fence.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from Rev. M. O. Baltzer, received through the Mayor's office, regarding the tennis courts at

Marine Park; and the matter was referred to the Superintendent for further report.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the order of the City Council regarding the lighting of the various playgrounds; and the Secretary wasinstructed to reply.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the application of James Hanlon, a veteran, for retirement with pension; and it was

VOTED, that James Hanlon be retired from active service, with the consent of the Mayor, at one-half the rate of compensation paid to him, and that the Chairman forward this recommendation to the Mayor.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from Representative E. C. F. Bagley, in the interest of Walter Hall, for a permit to sell peanuts at Wood Island Park; and it was

VOTED, not to grant the same.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from Rebecca Volcovich, regarding a breathing place on Albany and Dover streets, received through the office of the Mayor; and the Secretary wasinstructed to reply to the Mayor.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the needof additional assistance in the Engineer's office; and it was

VOTED, that the Superintendent be authorized to make requisition on the Civil Service Commission for the certification of an assistant to Mr. Putnam, at a salary of $3.00 or $3.50 per day.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the proposals for seat posts, received July 24, as follows:

	Concrete Posts.	Concrete Seats.
Bradshaw Construction Company of Boston	$1.95 each	$11.05 each
McNamee & Eagar, Cambridgeport	2.80 "	20.00 "

The proposals were rejected, and the Chairman was instructed to confer with the Superintendent of Public Grounds in regard to advertising for proposals covering the requirements of both departments.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from J. P. Kilday, Secretary Joint Council of City Employees' Unions, regarding enforcing the eight-hour law on contract work; and the matter was referred to the Secretary to get the opinion of the Corporation Counsel, as to what the Board is required to do.

The Superintendent submitted Mr. Putnam's report on proposals for gateways at Columbus-avenue Playground, obtained by W. D. Auston; and it was

VOTED, to advertise for proposals.

A communication from the Civil Service Commission in relation to the employment of Thomas A. Callahan was received; and it was

VOTED, to make requisition upon the Civil Service Commission to fill the position.

A communication from the Corporation Counsel, in reply to the Chairman's letter, in regard to the question of payment by the School Committee for the care of the children's corners, was received and the Chairman was instructed to write to Mr. Lee of the School Committee

An order of the City Council authorizing the Board, with the approval of the Mayor, to amend the restrictions on the Nickerson land on Peterboro street, was received and placed on file.

A communication from Sylvester Baxter regarding the location of the High School of Commerce in the Fens was received. The Chairman reported, that, on July 31, he met the Schoolhouse Commission and the School Committee, and their architects, at the Fenway and viewed some sites for the School of Commerce. At first they were very anxious to place the school directly behind the John Boyle O'Reilly statue, but they soon saw that either the building would be very much below the street or else would be a very high building. They later viewed the site opposite Peterborough street, and finally (though the Chairman could not wait for this) looked at the lot at Huntington avenue entrance near Mrs, Gardner's and the Normal School. It was reported to the Chairman that they thought very favorably of this lot and intended to await the coming of the Mayor before urging it.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the request of the Circolo Grattaminardo for permission to erect a bandstand and give a concert on Sunday evening, August 20, at Prince-street Playground; and it was

VOTED, that permission be given to the Circolo Grattaminardo to erect a bandstand and give a concert at Prince-street Playground, on the evening of August 20, 1911, from 5 to 7 o'clock, under the direction and control of the police.

The claims of John E. Johnson and Patrick Sheehan, for compensation on account of accidents, were approved; and the Secretary was instructed to refer them to Captain Dyer for the Committee on Claims.

A petition of the Edison Company for a change of location of a pole on Old Colony Avenue was received; and it was

VOTED, that the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston be authorized to place and maintain a pole for the support of wires on the Strandway adjoining Old Colony Avenue, at a point designated by a red dot on a plan made by the said Company's Street Engineering Department, dated July 29, 1911, and deposited in the office of this Board, said pole not to exceed 50 feet in height by 15 inches in diameter, and to be removed at any time upon notice from this Board.

VOTED, that Mr. Austin be asked to lay out the elevations for the new locker building at West Roxbury in the same manner that he has for those of the locker buildings on the other playgrounds and in general according to the sketch

now submitted by him, bearing in mind, however, the amount of the appropriation, which must in no manner be exceeded for expenses connected with the locker building.

VOTED, that the bid of John A. Rooney of $3920.00 for walls and stairway of the Bears'Dens at Franklin Park be rejected, owing to his failure to file a copy of his contract with the City Auditor, and to readvertise the work.

VOTED, that $689.91 be paid on account of commission to Messrs. French and Hubbard for services in regard to the Boston Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Hollis French and Allen Hubbard the sum of Six Hundred Eighty-nine and 91/100 Dollars, being on account of their commission on contracts for heating, ventilating and piping Aquarium Building, and Refrigerating Machinery, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, to approve the form of deed presented to this Board by the Winsor School conveying to the city certain land on Longwood avenue, Plymouth and Bellevue streets in exchange for a portion of Berners Square, and containing certain agreements as to grading and surfacing the granted premises and as to rights of way in a private street forty feet wide shown as Short street extension on a plan accompanying said deed; and further

VOTED, thatthis Board will reserve for a walk a strip of land fifteen feet wide along the northeasterly boundary of Berners Square when relocated according to said plan.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. H. McCarthy the sum of one hundred seventy-one and 36/100 dollars, the same being for concrete walk laid on Charlesbank, under his contract dated November 8, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Charlesbank Improvement.

VOTED, that Mr. Shurtleff be asked to make a careful drawing of the stonework forming one side of the Franklin Park bird cage, with the arch and fountain and columns indicated as of concrete to imitate stonework, and that this being done bids be obtained on the same,the park to supply the necessary stone on the ground at the site, the intention being to have this stone hauled from West Roxbury to the park by our own teams.

The Chairman presented an offer of land on Olney and Everton streets,near Geneva avenue, from T. D. Quincy, for a playground in Ward 20.

A report was made by the Secretary regarding his interview with Mr. Babson in the matter of taking land for playgrounds; and it was

VOTED, to request the Street Commissioners to take the Dacia and Danube

street lot in Ward 16 for a playground, and that the Secretary notify the Street Commissioners accordingly.

A communication from Samuel H. Sullivan, complaining of the noise at night due to the merry-go-round located at Strandway Playground, was received and referred to the Superintendent with instructions to chain it up at night.

The Chairman submitted two letters from William D. Austin in reference to proposed changes in the contract for the Aquarium Building, and proposals of the Carroll Construction Company for making the changes; and it was

VOTED, that the commission approve of the exchange advised by Mr.Austin, the architect, and which involves the substitution of concrete piles for wooden piles and the use of ludovici celadon tiles instead of those named in the contract, at no change of cost,

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, AUGUST 15, 1911.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr. Prendergast's office, 87 Milk street, at 3 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Prendergast, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from the Law Department in regard to the enforcement of the eight-hour law on contract work, as requested by the Joint Council of City Employees' Unions in a communication to Superintendent Pettigrew by Joseph P. Kilday, Secretary; and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communications from Michael J. Collins, Secretary Stone Mason's Union No. 9 of Massachusetts, and A. M. Huddell of the Building Trades Council, in regard to the wages of the stone masons employed by this department. The Board decided to take no action, and the Superintendent's report was placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a sketch by Mr. Putnam for fastening the top rail of the piazza balustrade to the columns at Franklin Field locker building, which was approved.

The Superintendent submitted his correspondence with the Fire Commissioner, in reference to burning refuse at Franklin Field and Fenway playground, which was placed on file.

A request was received from the Boston American for permission to sell newspapers on Castle Island during the encampment of the Wilkesbarre Total Abstinence Regiment; and it was

VOTED, not to grant the request.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the bids for furnishing loam at the Fens, recommending that Jacobs' bid be rejected and the loam bought in the open market rather than by contract. The matter was referred to the Chairman to consult the Mayor about it.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Carroll Construction Company the sum of thirty-six hundred seventy-two and 85/100 dollars, in conformity with their contract of July 11, 1911 with the City of Boston for the erection of an aquarium building at Marine Park, South Boston, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment;said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

Wm. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, AUGUST 28, 1911

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 3.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Coakley, Mr. Prendergast being absent from the city; also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

An application from Joseph Bartlett for a position as director of the Zoo was received and referred to the Chairman for reply.

The Superintendent was instructed to report what should be done regarding the use of Governor's Island, for which an appropriation was made by the City Council.

City Council orders, appropriating $97,120 and $2,000 for various improvements, also transferring $2500 from Savin Hill Playground improvements to Savin Hill Park improvements, were received; and it was

VOTED, to ask Messrs. Shurtleff and Austin to report on improvements at Charlestown Heights and Dewey Beach, and that Mr. Austin be asked to design a shelter for that place, also for Copp's Hill Terrace, and to make specifications for altering the gables and chimney of the Franklin Field locker building.

The Superintendent was instructed to report on the work required to be done at Billings Field and Rogers Park, and to go on with the work at Savin Hill Park.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the balance of the appropriation that may be used for improvement of the Dacia-street Playground; and the Superintendent was instructed to prepare plans for said improvement and report to the Board.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the bids received August 24 for concrete wall at Columbus-avenue Playground, the bids being as follows:

George T. Rendle	$1100.00
Armor Concrete Construction Company	1440.00
James McNamee	1440.00
W. A. Murtfeldt Company	1550.00
Ware & Whiting	1564.00
Simpson Brothers Corporation	1819.00
William L. Morrison Company	1943.00
J. H. Ferguson Company	1945.00

and it was

VOTED, to accept the lowest bid.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the bid of the William L. Morrison Company, of $2643.00, for concrete work at Prince-street Playground; and it was

VOTED, to accept the proposal of the William L. Morrison Company.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the bids received for tennis courts, Franklin Field, the bids being as follows:

	Loam Excava'n cu.ft.	Earth Excava'n Cu.Yd.	Cinders in Place Lin.ft.	Drain Tile Lin.ft.	Water Pipe Trench	Gravel Surface Lin.ft.
C.Murphy & Son	$0.50	$.70	$1.25	$0.45	$0.30	$1.25
John McCourt & Company	.35	.60	1.25	.35	.40	.95
James Driscoll & Son Co.	.35	.50	1.00	.10	.40	.75
James H. Fannon	.50	.60	.70	.45	.50	.70
J. H. Ferguson Company	.50	.65	1.00	.60	.50	.90
M. H. Norton	.50	.65	1.25	.50	.60	.70

and it was VOTED, to accept the lowest bid.

The Superintendent submitted a communication from Mr. Manning, General Superintendent of the Baltimore Park Department, regarding park seats, which was placed on file. The Chairman reported that he had had two interviews with Mr. Sullivan, Superintendent of Public Grounds, regarding cooperation in the matter of obtaining competitive bids on park seats for both the park and public grounds department.

The Superintendent stated that he had a letter from Assistant Secretary Field, of the Mayor's office, regarding the employment of a transitman; and the Superintendent was instructed to take the matter up with Mr. Field.

A communication from the Sprague-Nugent Company, regarding broken lights from balls at Columbus-avenue Playground, requesting that the grill work now

extending ten feet above the ground be extended, was received and referred to the Superintendent to add to the height of the fence if feasible.

The Superintendent submitted a report on sanitary accommodations at the Public Landing. Marine Park; and the Superintendent was instructed to consult Mr. Austin regarding plans for men's and women's toilets there, Mr. Austin to make a sketch for what he would advise to be done, also to advise the Board in regard to the obstruction made by the projecting eaves to the operation of the boats.

Communications from the Street Laying-Out Department, regarding the taking of the Dacia-street land for a playground, and award to James Lyons of $20,482.20, were received; and it was

VOTED, that, whereas, the Board of Street Commissioners has taken, at the request of this Board, and with the approval of the Mayor, a parcel of land on Dacia and Danube streets, Dorchester, containing 68,274 square feet, for a playground, there be awarded and paid to James Lyons the sum of twenty thousand four hundred eighty-two and 20/100 dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking satisfactory to the Law Department, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Ward 16.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. H. McCarthy the sum of eight hundred thirty-one and 93/100 dollars, being for fifth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on brick and concrete walks on Charlesbank, under his contract dated November 8, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Charlesbank Improvement.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the bid of the William L. Morrison Company, of $2243.00, for setting the balustrade at the Franklin Field locker building, and the Superintendent's recommendation to do the work with the department force was approved, the Chairman to ask the Mayor for his approval.

The Chairman stated that he had written the Civil Service Commission to make requisition for directors of the Zoo and Aquarium, as required by the Civil Service Commission.

Mr. Coakley submitted letters from Rev. T. J. Mahoney to him and Mr. Prendergast, expressing the objection of many citizens to the location of the locker building on the Strandway, opposite the junction of Preble and Vinton streets; and the Secretary was instructed to reply that the Board regrets that it is too late to do anything about changing the location.

A communication from Commissioner Perkins of the Schoolhouse Department, stating that his Board would cooperate in regard to transferring a portion of the Magnolia-street lot to this department, was received and placed on file.

A communication from Loring, Coolidge and Noble, in refernece to the application of the Schoolhouse Commission and School Committee to locate the High Schhol of Commerce near Fenway Court, was received and the Secretary was instructed to acknowledge the same.

The Mayor having approved the request of the Board for authority to advertise for loam delivered at the Fens for $1.00 per cubic yard, the recent bids for loam were rejected, and the Board voted to advertise accordingly.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, SEPTEMBER 25, 1911

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr. Prendergast's office, 87 Milk street, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Prendergast and Coakley, Mr. Peabody being absent from the city.

VOTED, that in the absence of the chairman, the chaimrn pro tempore be authorized to approve contracts on behalf of the Board.

The Superintendent's reports on the following proposals, received August 16, September 7 and 14, were considered:

TREE PITS COMMONWEALTH AVENUE

Co.	Between Beacon street and Brighton ave.			Between Brighton Avenue and Harvard Avenue		
	Loam excavation cu.yd.	Earth excavation cu.yd.	Loam furnished and delivered cu.yd.	Loam excavation cu.yd.	Earth excavation cu.yd.	Loam furnished and delivered cu.yd.
James Driscoll & Son Brookline	$0.40	$o.70	$1.40	$0.40	$0.70	$1.40
Coleman Bros.,Chelsea	.50	1.00	1.50	.50	1.00	1.50
James H. Fannon Somerville	.50	1.10	1.60	.50	*1.00	1.60
John McCourt & Co. Roxbury	.45	.74	1.54	.45	.74	1.54
John J. Lane, Brighton	.25	.75	1.25	.25	.75	1.25
A.J.& G.H.McMurtry Brighton	.40	.60	1.40	.40	.60	1.40
M.H.Norton, Dorchester	.40	.85	1.40	.40	.85	1.40

*$1.10 Auditor's copy

SANITARY WEST THIRD-STREET PLAYGROUND

William L. Morrison Company,	Boston	$833.00
J. E. Locatelli Company, Inc.,	"	1280.00
McDonald & Kivel,	"	1339.00

SANITARY WEST FIFTH-STREET PLAYGROUND

J. E. Locatelli Company, Inc.,	Boston	1178.00
McDonald & Kivel,	"	1339.00

PIER HEAD, MARINE PARK

Carroll Construction Company	Brookline	10,450.00
Porter & Pearl	Boston	2,985.00
Bay State Dredging Company	"	5,500.00
William H. Ellis	"	5,860.00
J. P. O'Reardon	Charlestown	4,300.00
George T. Rendle	Boston	6,874.00

GATEWAYS COLUMBUS-AVENUE PLAYGROUND

J. E. Locatelli Co.,Inc.	Boston	740.00
William L. Morrison Company	"	1,143.00
Louis B. Cadario	Somerville	1,732.00
George T. Rendle	Boston	2,668.00

WALLS & STAIRWAY FRANKLIN PARK

John A. Rooney		4,340.00
John B. Graham		4,800.00

CONCRETE FLOORS BEARS' CAGES

William L. Morrison Company,		6,763.00
Porter & Pearl		8,653.00
W. A. Murtfeldt Company		9,400.00
Simpson Brothers Corporation		13,842.00
John A. Rooney		15,740.00

and it was

VOTED, to award the contracts to the lowest bidders for tree pits on Commonwealth avenue, building sanitary on West Third-street Playground, repairing Pier Head, Marine Park, and building concrete floors and pools in the Bear Cages; and to readvertise the contracts for sanitary on West-Fifth-street Playground, building gateways on Columbus-avenue Playground, and building walls and stairway at the Bears' Dens.

On the Superintendent's report, recommending the suspension of about fifty men, owing to lack of funds in the appropriation for maintenance, it was

VOTED, that the Superintendant lay off fifty men, in accordance with his recommendation and inform the Mayor of the action of the Board.

A copy of the communication from the St. Alfonsus Association, to the Mayor, dated September 9, and transmitting the vote of the Association proposing a site for the Ward 19 Playground, was received and referred to the Superintendent for report.

Two communications from J. Henry Flynn, in regard to his sub-contract with Carroll Construction Company, for sheet metal work and roofing on the Aquarium Building, were received and placed on file.

The Superintendent's reports regarding the wages of stone-masons and painters were laid over.

Executive Circular, No. 25, requesting information concerning the provisions of chapter 413 of the acts of 1911, and the probable cost to the city of the pensioning of employees, was received and referred to the Superintendent.

On the report of the Superintendent, a request was sent to the Mayor for his approval of the appointment of Leo. S. Stone, as a transitman and draughtsman in this department.

A communication from the Schoolhouse Department, with plan, showing the amount of land on the Magnolia-street lot that the schoolhouse will occupy, was received and placed on file.

A petition from the Boston Chamber of Commerce, Metropolitan Improvement League, Boston Society of Architects, and Team Owners' Association to open Boylston Road through the Fens to ordinary street traffic, was received and laid over until Mr. Peabody's return.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, OCTOBER 18, 1911

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr. Prendergast's office, 87 Milk street, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting, also of the meeting of August 28 were read and approved.

On the Superintendent's report, recommending an extension of Orient Heights by acquiring the whole of the underwater area of the East Boston Company to Trumbull street, and filling the whole area by hydraulic dredge, the Board instructed the Superintendent to make suggestions for the best way of filling

the area now belonging to the city, so far as the balance of the appropriation will permit.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the bids received October 5, for changing the gables and chimneys in the Franklin Field locker building. The bids were as follows:

John F. Griffin Company	$1131.00
William L. Morrison Company	1155.00
Wilbur J. Hatch	1275.00

and it was

VOTED, to accept the proposal of John F. Griffin Company, provided the cost of the work can be charged against the balance of the funds available for the completion of the locker building.

The Superintendent's reports on the following proposals, received October 5, were considered:

STONE & CONCRETE MASONRY, FLYING CAGE

Porter & Pearl	$15,000 00
William L. Morrison Co.,	21,333.00
John B. Graham,	24,440.00
John A. Rooney	26,970.00
Dennis F. Crowley	29,300.00

WALLS & STAIRWAYS, BEAR'S DENS

Porter & Pearl	$3,950.00 *
John B. Graham	5,472.00
Dennis F. Crowley	6,140.00

* Auditor's copy $3900.00

GATEWAYS COLUMBUS-AVENUE PLAYGROUND

John F. Griffin Company	$1,092.00

SANITARY WEST FIFTH-STREET PLAYGROUND

Wilbur J. Hatch	$825.00
William L. Morrison Company	923.00
John F. Griffin Company	959.00
Hapgood & Frost Company	987.00
John J. Flynn	1,593.00

and it was

VOTED, to reject all the bids for the stone and concrete work for the Flying Cage, and that the Chairman consult the Landscape Architect and Mr. Austin as to modifying the plans.

VOTED, to award the contracts for sanitary West Fifth-street Playground, gateways at Columbus-avenue Playground, and walls & stairways for bears' dens, Franklin Park, to the lowest bidders.

Communications from the Civil Service Commission, of September 21 and October 9, in relation to the duties of the custodian of buildings and gymnasium grounds at Charlesbank, and a report thereon by the Superintendent were considered; and the Superintendent wasinstructed to reply in accordance with his report.

Proposals of land for a playground in Ward 5, received September 30, were considered as follows:

Owner	Area Sq.ft.	Assessed Value	Price	Location
John Sweetzer Heirs	3342	Land $3300) Bldgs 1500)	$4842.00	44 Union street
" " "	620	800	800.00	Rutherford avenue
" " "	2120	3200.	3200.00	S.W.cor.Union and Rutherford avenue
R. S. Lombard	2800 & bldgs	3700	4500.00	32 Stacy street
William McQualters Heirs	Abt.1800 & bldgs	3400	5000.00	73 Washington st.
Mary Ann Carr	12,000	14,900	1.50 pr. ft.or $18,000	Water cor.Carey st.
Mrs. William H. Breen	19,000 & bldgs		abt 50,000	Miller & Rutherford avenue
Joseph A. Donovan	22,895.7 & bldgs	49,800	50,000 & taxes	Lawrence,Benedict & Chapman sts.
J.P.O'Riorden	6,230 & bldgs	19,200	29,000	79-81-83 Washington
St. Mary's School Association	15,782	13,400	20,000	Rutherford avenue

and it was arranged to visit the sites for playgrounds in wards 5 and 20

The Superintendent was authorized to make an exhibition of fruiting shrubs at the New England Fruit Growers' Association Exhibition,in Horticultural Hall.

An order was received from the City Council appropriating money from the Parkman Fund for park work as follows:

Charlesbank, completion of improvements	$600.00
Further repairs upon fence on seawall	600.00
Franklin Park, Bears' Dens, Bird Cage, sewer and water supply for Zoological Garden	20,000.00

The Superintendent submitted a report on the seawall at Mystic Playground, stating that more extensive repairs and a further appropriation will be required; and the matter was laid over pending action by the City Council.

Consideration was given a proposition of Mr. C. Emerson Brown, of the Boston Natural History Society, respecting the gift of models of prehistoric creatures, to the city; and it was

VOTED, that the Board will accept the gifts on condition that the location, number and design shall be subject to approval of the Board.

The Chairman submitted a sketch, prepared by the Landscape Architect and approved by Mr. Austin, for a promenade entrance to Franklin Field, at the corner of Blue Hill and Talbot avenues, and the Superintendent was authorized to proceed with the work in accordance with this plan.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the injury to John Meehan, recommending the payment of his wages, from the date of his injuries, September 26, for a period of thirty days, amounting to $59.06; and it was

VOTED, to approve said allowance, and to authorize the Superintendent to certify the same to the Civil Service Commissioners.

VOTED, to authorize the Superintendent to fence the children's corner at Cottage-street Playground, as recomended in his report: also to approve the Superintendent's report on the use of seamfaced Quincy granite for the stones for the yards at the bear cage.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the order of the City Council in regard to a swimming pool at Parker Hill, which was referred to the Chairman for reply.

The Superintendent submitted a report on correspondence of J.F.McKernan, in regard to giving men work on rainy days, which was placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted the correspondence with Robert F. Wight, regarding the right to attach the pergola at Prince-street Playground to the wall of the adjoining building; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the arrangement if it can be done on the payment of a lump sum not exceeding $200.00.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from Dr. Harrington, regarding the use and care of children's corners and apparatus; and the chairman was instructed to send the letter to the Mayor.

The Superintendent's report on proposed advances in wages of certain employees was laid over.

A communication from Sylvester Baxter, Secretary of the Metropolitan Improvement League, protesting against the further occupancy of space by a private athletic organization at Charlesbank, was received, and the Secretary was instructed to look up the record and submit the facts to the Board.

A communication from P. J. Brady, regarding the widening of the roadway of Arborway at South street, and modification of restrictions there, was received and referred to the Superintendent for report.

VOTED, to instruct the Superintendent to plant poplar trees on each side of Boylston Entrance to the Fens.

VOTED, that the Chairman consult Mr. Austin about the work for which an appropriation has been made for Charlestown Heights.

VOTED, to record the letter written by the Board to the Mayor on August 31, in regard to a site for the High School of Commerce in the Fens, as the unanimous vote of the Board.

VOTED, at the suggestion of the Chairman, that each month, when he approves the bills for that month, the list of bills thus approved be laid before the other members of the commission so that they may understand clearly with whom we are trading.

A petition from the Chamber of Commerce, and others, in reference to opening Boylston Road to ordinary street traffic, was received and laid over to the next meeting.

A communication from Mr. Austin, regarding the Aquarium and communications and proposition from the Carroll Construction Company, in regard to waterproofing the cistern and other work, was received and referred to the Chairman.

The Superintendent submitted studies of playground locations in wards 5, 19 and 20; and the matters were laid over pending the proposed visit of the Board.

The Superintendent submitted a letter to the Mayor regarding the condition of work under the appropriation for planting trees on Commonwealth avenue.

A request from W. H. Partridge, for authority to place footing courses of an apartment house and project cornices over park land, on the Fenway, was received and referred to the Chairman to confer with Mr. Partridge.

A communication from the Playground and Recreation Association of America, asking for reneval of membership, was received and placed on file.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, NOVEMBER 2, 1911

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr. Prendergast's office, 87 Milk street, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on improvements at Governor's Island; and the Superintendent was instructed to make arrangements for the Board to visit the Island, and to see on what terms a motor boat and scow can be hired or bought.

A communication from Chief Engineer Davis, of the Boston Transit Commission, with regard to surplus earth from the new subways, was received, also a report from the Superintendent thereon, and was referred to the Chairman for reply.

The Board considered sundry petitions for the location of a playground for Ward 20, on Mt. Ida; and the Secretary was instructed to acknowledge their receipt, and to say that the Board would give them consideration.

The Chairman submitted sundry letters and petitions regarding a site for the School of Commerce in the Fens, and stated that he had replied stating the action the Board had taken. The communications were placed on file.

Petitions regarding the opening of Boylston Road for traffic across the Fens, from the Execitive Committee of the Boston Society of Architects, the Team Owners' Association, the Metropolitan Improvement League, the Boston Chamber of Commerce, Gordon Dexter as an abutter, and a letter from Secretary McKibben of the Chamber of Commerce, referring to the Boston Real Estate Exchange, were considered, also Mr. Babson's reply to the letter from the Chairman asking what the powers of the Board are in this matter; and it was

VOTED, to refer the proposed change of rule to open Boylston Road to traffic to Mr. Babson.

A communication from the Mayor's office, stating that he has asked for $20,000 for a shelter house and boat landing at Jamaica Pond, was received and placed on file.

A communication was received from Gordon Dexter, asking if the Board would favorably consider the making of a part of Boylston Road, from its termination at Boylston street, at the intersection of Hemenway and Ipswich streets to its junction with the Fenway, a city street instead of a park road; and it was

VOTED, not to grant the request.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary, in regard to the building of park seats in connection with the Public Grounds Department, was received and placed on file, the Chairman having written to the Superintendent of Public Grounds as suggested by the Mayor.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from the Mayor regarding Mr. McKernan's application for position of foreman; and the Chairman was instructed to reply to the Mayor.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication fromthe Mayor, directing the Board to change the scale of wages of certain employees to Union rates, unless there is objection, together with a list of mechanics giving present rate paid, rate recommended and Union rate per day; and it was

VOTED, that the Superintendent's recommendation be adopted, and that the Chairman submit the list to the Mayor for his approval.

VOTED, to adopt the Superintendent's recommendation for increase of the pay of M. V. Dailey, painter, from $3.50 per day to $3.75 per day.

A communication from the Mayor, stating that he would arrange with Dr. Harrington as to the placing of swings in the playgrounds, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the Boston Elevated Railway Company, for a renewal the coming winter of the snow dump and fence privileges which have been granted in the past;was received; and it was

VOTED, that the Boston Elevated Railway Company have permission to build and maintain a snow fence on North Brighton Playground adjoining Western avenue, the fence to be built on about the same lines as last year; also to dump snow on Charlestown and Strandway playgrounds outside the skating areas: all subject to the approval of the Superintendent of Parks.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the application of the Fire Department, for leave to locate five poles for fire alarm wires on Neptune Road; and the Secretary was instructed to inform the Fire Department that the policy of the Board is against the erection of poles for overhead wires in the park system, and to notify the department to place the wires underground.

The Chairman submitted some correspondence with the School Committee regarding the lawn at the Normal School. The Chairman's letter to the School Committee was approved and the matter placed on file.

The Superintendent's plan for locating a sanitary building at Fellows-street Playground was approved, and the Chairman was authorized to instruct Mr. Austin to make plans for the proposed building.

VOTED, on recommendation of the Superintendent, to authorize him to take down the two buildings on the Dacia-street Playground. A letter from William J. Pope, to the Mayor, suggesting the possibility of utilizing one of the buildings for municipal purposes, received from the Mayor October 3, was placed on file.

A plan for sanitaries at the Public Landing at South Boston, received from Mr. Austin, was referred to the Superintendent to report as to doing the work with the department force.

The correspondence with the Architect and the Carroll Construction Company, regarding the waterproofing of the cistern, and the settlement of claims for piles and work done under the cistern, were referred to the Chairman to see if all the matters at issue can be arranged at the same time.

The Chairman was instructed to communicate with the Mayor in regard to the Superintendent's suggestion, that the grading of the Parker Hill Reservoir and the making of a bathing pool there would make good winter's work for a number of men.

Plans for an apartment house on the Arborway, submitted by M. S. Morton, with a report from Engineer Putnam as to the probable cost of the proposed building, were considered, and the Secretary was instructed to notify Mr.Morton, that the Board has no objection to his going on with the proposed building.

A communication from James M. Hoy, in reference to restrictions on land of Dr. Clarence L. Hathaway, on the Riverway, was received; and the Secretary was instructed to notify the City Conveyancer that the Board will accept an agreement from Dr. Hathaway similar to those given by the adjoining owners on the Riverway.

A communication from the Mayor in regard to increasein payrolls and expenditures in 1911 over 1910, with a report from the Superintendent giving the reasons therefor, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary, forwarding the request of William E. Fischer for promotion, was received and placed onfile, an increase of his wages to $3.50 per day having been recommended on the list of increases of pay to be sent tothe Mayor.

On recommendation of the Superintendent, the appointment of James H. Dillon as transitman inthis department, at $1000 per annum, was approved and sent to the Mayor for his approval.

The Superintendent submitted a report, recommending an increase of pay for Charles E. Houghton, from $3.50 to $4.00 per day, as extra compensation for working eight hours instead of seven hours per day; and it was

VOTED, to raise the salary of Charles E. Houghton from $3.50 to $4.00 per day, and submit the same to the Mayor for his approval.

VOTED, to approve the claim of Thomas M. Walsh, of $24.50, for time lost on account of accident, and submit the same to the Mayor for his approval.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from G. F. Parsons, suggesting that land on Gleason Hill, so-called, on Washington street, Dorchester, be acquired for park purposes; and the Secretary was instructed to reply that the Board cannot consider it owing to the lack of an appropriation.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the invitation to attend the Good Roads Congress and Annual Convention of the American Road Builders' Association, which will convene in Rochester, November 14 to 17; and it was

VOTED, that both Mr. Putnam and Mr. Shea be delegated to attend the Congress on behalf of this department.

VOTED, that the Superintendent be given two weeks' leave of absence

A communication was received from Mr. Shurtleff, in regard to tree planting on Commonwealth avenue; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the planting of the avenue in accordance with Mr. Shurtleff's letter.

VOTED, that the Chairman suggest to the Mayor that the Board is desirous of opening Franklin Park to automobiles if the Police Commissioner will give police supervision.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John A. Rooney the sum of one thousand one hundred sixty and 25/100 dollars,being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Walls and Bear Dens in

Franklin Park, under his contract dated June 26, 1911; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favorof said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William L. Morrison Company the sum of one thousand seven hundred eighty-five and 00/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Pergola and Walks on Prince-street Playground, under its contract dated September 5,1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Prince-street Playground Improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Pearl and Potter the sum of six hundred thirty-seven and 50/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished under their contract dated September 27, 1911, for repairing Pier Head at Marine Park, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for aspecial draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Marine Park, Pier Head, completion of.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John J. Lane, the sum of five thousand nine hundred twenty and 25/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on tree pits on Commonwealth avenue, under his contract dated September 27, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment;said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Commonwealth avenue, trees.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William L. Morrison Company the sum of seven hundred eight and 5/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary on West Third-street Playground, under its contract dated September 27, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Ward 13.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secretary

BOSTON, NOVEMBER 14, 1911

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr. Prendergast's office, 87 Milk street, at 4 P.M. Present. Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A communication from William D. Austin, stating the condition of the work in his office on the several park enterprises he has in hand, was received and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on applying part of the appropriation for Fens improvement for a pumping plant; and the Superintendent was instructed to invite bids for such plant as he recommends be installed.

The Chairman was instructed to call the Mayor's attention to the dirty water entering Leverett Pond from the Town Brook, and ask the Mayor to instruct the proper officials to take up the matter with the Town authorities.

A communication was received from the Superintendent of Public Grounds in regard to designs for park seats, and the Superintendent was instructed to go ahead with the arrangements for constructing the seats with the department force.

The Chairman submitted some correspondence with Mr. Austin and J. F. Worcester & Company, with regard to the quality of steel rods used in the construction of the Aquarium, which was placed on file.

A communication was received from the Carroll Construction Company, withdrawing their claim forballusting under the cistern at the Aquarium, and to proceed with the waterproofing, with the understanding that they are to be paid 10% on the cost of extra piling and $6.60 per day rental of pumps, from October 24; and it was

VOTED, to accept the agreement.

The Chairman was instructed to write to the Mayor, suggesting the employment of a corps of play leaders on the playgrounds.

A communication from Corporation Counsel Babson, also communications from the Boylston Street Land Company, H. B. Williams and John H. Storer, in regard to permitting traffic on Boylston Road in the Fens, were received and considered, with petitions from the Chamber of Commerce and other organizations and persons, which were laid over from the last meeting; and it was

VOTED, that the general rules, adopted August 31, 1903, and subsequently amended, be further amended by inserting in rule 4 after the words "Bellevue street" the words,-the road across the Boylston stone bridge in the Fens connecting Boylston street east of the Fens with Boylston street west of the Fens.

The Superintendent reported that the sanitaries at the Public Landing can

be erected by the department with its own men; and it was

VOTED, to request the Mayor's approval to this method of doing the work.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary, in reply to an inquiry from the Chairman as to the proposed transfer of the unexpended balance of the appropriation for wards 7and 9 playground to Playground , Ward 7, was received and placed on file.

Executive Circular No. 26, asking for estimates for appropriations for the fiscal year 1912-13, was recieved and referred to the Superintendent.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary, in reply to various letters from the Chairman, in reference to the employment of Mr. Kiley and other matters, was received and placed on file.

A communication from George H. Tinkham, in reference to the application of Edward H. Kelley, for a license for one of the cabstands now held by Martin Cashman, at Commonwealth avenue and Fairfield street, was received;and it was

VOTED, to refuse Mr. Kelley's application.

The Chairman reported on the visit to Governor's Island with the Superintendent and Mr. Shurtleff, stating that the plan is now being prepared, and thatthe Government has been requested to permit the use of the granite now lying on the ground in the construction of a pier or other work.

A communication from the Forest Hills Improvement Association, in reference to playgrounds in Ward 23, was received; and the Secretary was instructed to say that no appropriation is available for the purpose.

A communication from Dr. A. T. Dalrymple, in regard to the bad condition of the Strandway dump was received; and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from I. Homer Sweetzer, in reference to his offer of land for a playground in Ward 5, was received and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from the Chief Engineer of the Boston Transit Commission, in reference to dumps for surplus earth in subway construction, also from Grenville H. Norcross, Chairman House Committee. Massachusetts Historical Society, in reference to planting trees in the sidewalk adjoining the Society's building, werereceived and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on Mr. Brady's communication of October 11, offering to give land for widening the northerly traffic road of Arborway on certain conditions, including a modification of the restrictions on his land; and the matter was laidover until the Board can look the ground over.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the need of making two doorways in the Franklin Field locker building, to facilitate the storage of material in the basement; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the Superintendent to construct them with the department force.

The Superintendent was instructed to put Christmas trees in the pergola at Prince-street Playground.

VOTED, that the Street Commissioners be requested to take the lot on Halleck and Parker streets, containing about 150,486 square feet, also the lot in the rear of numbers 1473 to 1493 Tremont street and Sherbrook place, containing about 52,048 square feet, for playgrounds in Ward 19.

VOTED, subject to the Mayor's approval, to increase the pay of the following employees to the amounts set against their names:

Michael McNulty	Sub-Foreman	from	$3.25	to	$3.50	per	day
Julius Weidner	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
William Knight	Blacksmith	from	$3.00	to	$3.50	per	day
Bartholomew M. Ryan	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
John McGreil	"	"	2.75	"	3.25	"	"
Michael Bailey	Carpenter	"	3.00	"	3.50	"	"
Joseph Batts	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
John J. McDonnell	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
John F. Carlin	Plumber	"	"	"	3.25	"	"
Daniel J. Hurley	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Joseph Klaus	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Frank J. Chinetti	Mason	"	"	"	3.50	"	"
John E. Johnson	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Patrick O'Rourke 2nd	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
John Monahan	Engine Repairer	"	"	"	"	"	"
John T. Nee	" "	"	"	"	3.25	"	"
Bernard T. Conley	Machinist	"	"	"	4.00	"	"
Robert Hindle	" & S.R.Engineer	"	"	"	3.50	"	"
Daniel Flynn	Gasoline Eng.Operator	"	2.50	"	2.75	"	"
Henry A. Mahon	S. R. Engineer	"	3.00	"	3.50	"	"
Edward J. Moriarty	" "	"	"	"	"	"	"
William H. Smith	" "	"	"	"	"	"	"
William Scanlon	Harnessmaker	"	"	"	3.25	"	"
Henry C. Farrington	Painter	"	2.50	"	2.75	"	"
Malachi Kenney	Ironworker	"	3.00	"	3.25	"	"
Martin Feeley	Pipefitter	"	"	"	"	"	"
Peter Barker	Gardener	"	"	"	"	"	"
Alexander J. Colvin	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
John T. Conboy	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Kenneth Finlaysen	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
William E.Fischer	"	"	"	"	3.50	"	"
Peter McManus	"	"	"	"	3.25	"	"
Charles Walters	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Robert Coulsey	"	"	2.75	"	"	"	"
Thomas J. Murphy	"	"	2.50	"	2.75	"	"
Martin Lyons	Treepruner	"	"	"	"	"	"
Anton Volk	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Joseph P. Howe	Gardener & Greenkeeper	"	"	"	"	"	"
John J. Regan	Chauffeur	"	"	"	3.00	"	"
John F. Maguire	"	"	2.25	"	"	"	"
William J. Donely	"	"	15.37wk	"	"	"	"
Louis L. Chenette	"	"	2.25	"	2.50	"	"
John J. Tatten Jr.,	Laborer & Fireman	"	2.50	"	2.75	"	"
Michael O'Brien	Park Keeper	"	2.75	"	3.00	"	"
Michael C'Neill	" "	"	2.50	"	"	"	"
Moses A. Coulter	In chg.stable & yard	"	2.25	"	2.75	"	"
Terrence N. Griffin	In Chg.M-st Gymnasium	"	2.75	"	3.00	"	"
Patrick Cain	In Chg.Wm.Eustis Playgrd	"	2.25	"	2.50	"	"
George T. Cunning	Asst.in chg.Wood Island	"	"	"	"	"	"
Patrick Glennon 2nd	In Chg.Columbus-av Playgrd	"	"	"	"	"	"
John F.McKernan	In Chg.Charlestown "	"	"	"	3.00	"	"
Bernard T. McNulty	Sub-Foreman	"	3.00	"	3.50	"	"

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. E. Locatelli Company, inc., the sum of three thousand seven hundred forty-eight and 50/100 dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Sanitary and Locker Building, on Strandway Playground, under its contract dated July 18,1911,

and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Locker and Sanitary Building, Strandway Playground.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. C. Coleman & Sons Company the sum of six hundred sixty-three and 94/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Asphalt Macadam on Riverway, under its contract dated July 11, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, NOVEMBER 17, 1911

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr. Prendergast's Office, 87 Milk street, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Prendergast, also present Superintendent Pettigrew.

VOTED, to authorize the Superintendent to construct a temporary building on Governor's Island, for stable purposes, at an estimated expense of $600.

The Superintendent was instructed to report what it will cost to make changes in paths, requested by Coolidge & Carlson, for installing fountain at Chestnut Hill Park.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Carroll Construction Company the sum of twelve thousand two hundred sixty-five and 50/100 dollars, being for fourth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Aquarium Building at Marine Park, under its contract dated June 11, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged tothe appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to W. D. Austin the sum of six hundred forty-six dollars and one cent ($646.01), being for bill for plans, specifications and supervision of Aquarium Building, dated November 15, 1911, under contract with Carroll Construction Company, dated June 11, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

An order of the City Council appropriating $40,000 additional for Ward 19 Playground was received and placed on file.

A communication from the Corporation Counsel, giving his opinion on the right of the Board to plant trees in the granolithic sidewalk on Boylston-street Entrance to the Fens, was received and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report in regard to overtime and the

reason for discontinuing itin part, was received and referred to the Chairman.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, NOVEMBER 23, 1911

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr. Prendergast's office, 67 Milk street, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Conkley. The records of the meeting of November 14 and special meeting of November 17 were read and approved.

Executive Circular No. 27, with reference to making up department estimates for the ensuing year was received and placed on file.

The Chairman presented three designs for the School of Commerce, offered by Mr. Logue, which were considered, and the Chairman was instructed to confer with Mr. Logue.

A communication was received from Mr. Kiley, enclosing a bill for $562.06, for services in connection with the acquisition and investigation of playgrounds inwards 16 and 19; and it was

VOTED, to approve the bill.

The Chairman submitted a memorandum of the cost of the Zoological Garden and Aquarium to date, and of sums ($114,500) required to complete work planned to be ready June 1, 1912; and it was

VOTED, to send a copy of it to the Mayor and ask for $125,000.

A petition from the Boston Elevated Railway Company, requesting, on behalf of the West End Street Railway Company, to move tracks six inches in Seaver street, was received; and it was

VOTED, that the West End Street Railway Company be given leave to construct, maintain and use an alteration of the existing location on Seaver street from Blue Hill avenue to Walnut avenue, granted November 29, 1898, as follows: the rails of the northeasterly of the existing double tracks to be removed from the respective positions in which theyare now laid and maintained, to positions parallel thereto, and six inches farther out from the line half way between the existing tracks so that the space between said tracks on portion of said streets specified, shall be substantially five feet, instead of four feet, six inches, as at present: substantially as shown by red lines on plan of A, L. Plimpton, Civil Engineer dated February 21st, 1898, and filed

with the petition upon which the location above referred to was granted. Also that permission be given said Company to establish and maintain the overhead single trolley electric system of motive power in the operation of its cars on said new tracks, and to erect, maintain and use the necessary poles; also, wires, appliances and electrical appliances and apparatus, and to make the underground and surface alterations of the streets necessary for that purpose: subject to all the conditions under which the location above referred to was granted.

A letter from the Mayor, regarding the entering of polluted water into Leverett Pond from Brookline, was received and placed on file.

The Chairman submitted some correspondence with the Mayor regarding a trip, to view with the Mayor, playground sites and Parker Hill Reservoir, and to discuss the question of play leaders; and the Chairman was instructed to arrange with the Mayor for a visit.

A letter of acknowledgment from the Secretary of the Boston Chamber of Commerce, for action in regard to Boylston Road, was received and placed on file

A letter from the Mayor, stating that he would urge the Transit Commission to furnish the filling for Strandway and Orient Heights playgrounds, was received and placed on file.

Mr. Babson's letter relating to overtime work in the department, and other correspondence on that subject, were referred to Mr. Coakley.

VOTED, to authorize the Superintendent to buy trees for Prince-street Playground, as recommended in his report of November 23.

A communication from John H. Storer, requesting the Board of modify the restrictions throughout the Fens to Franklin Park, to permit houses costing not less than $4000 per story for every 25 feet or less of frontage, and at the same rate for any greater width, was received and referred to Mr. Coakley.

The plan of the Magnolia-street lot, showing the land which the Schoolhouse Commission will have to use, was taken up; and it was

VOTED, to request that the remaining piece of land on the Magnolia-street side be transferred to the Board for playground purposes.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to New England Structural Company, the sum of seven thousand four hundred twenty-three and 90/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Aquatic Flying Cage in Franklin Park, under its contract dated June 26, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden & Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John J. Lane, the sum of two

thousand five hundred forty-four and 69/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on tree pits on Commonwealth avenue, under his contract dated September 27, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a requeston the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment;said amount to be charged to the appropriationfor Commonwealth avenue, trees.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. H. McCarthy the sum of one thousand eight hundred ninety-eight and 64/100 dollars, being for sixth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on brick and concrete walks on Charlesbank, under his contract dated November 8, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Charlesbank improvement.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to James Driscoll & Son Company, the sum of five hundred seventy-nine and 36/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on tennis courts on Franklin Field, under its contract dated September 5, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Franklin Field, tennis courts.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Porter & Pearl the sum of six hundred thirty-seven and 50/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on repairing Pier Head at Marine Park, under their contract dated September 27, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draftin favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Marine Park, Pier Head, completion of.

A communication from the Philadelphia Toboggan Company, in reference to installing merry-go-rounds in the playgrounds, was received from the Mayor and referred to the Superintendent.

A report from the Superintendent in reference to the communication from the Mayor's Secretary, requesting a report upon the proposition of the Science Teachers' Bureau to use part of the Refectory Building for an exhibition of specimens, was received and referred to the Chairman to report to the Mayor that a part of the south end of the first story large room, lyingbetween the front door and the door to the pergola can be spared for the purpose, without detriment to the interests of the library.

Geo. F. McClarke
Secretary

BOSTON, DECEMBER 5, 1911

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr. Prendergast's office, 67 Milk street, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A communication from the Science Teachers' Bureau, acknowledgeing letter from the Mayor's office, regarding their request for the use of a part of the Refectory Building for museum purposes, also a letter from the Mayor's Secretary on the same subject, were received; and the Chairman was instructed to write to the Mayor recommending that the proposed occupation be temporary in case the building should some time be needed for a restaurant.

A communication was received from Porter & Pearl, requesting to be relieved from their contract for walls and atairways at the Bears' Dens, for the reason that it is impossible to get stone for the steps in 8-foot lengths, also a report from Mr. Putnam; and it was

VOTED, to reconsider the award of the contract to Porter & Pearl, to rejest all the bids, and to readvertise the contract substituting concrete for granite steps.

An inquiry from the Clerk of Committees regarding a playground site at Forest Hills was received and referred to the Chairman for reply.

A communication from Dr.Dalrymple regarding the Strandway Playground dump was received, and the Chairman was instructed to reply.

The Chairman submitted some suggestions from Mr. Benson regarding exhibits of small animals, and the purchase of animals for the Zoo; and the Chairman was instructed to write to Mr. Thayer with a view to enlisting outside interests in the acquisition of animals.

A communication from Smith & Lovett, complaining of the delay in not getting until recently complete drawings and details of the iron work for the bears' dens, for which they signed a contract July 1, was received and placed on file.

The Chairman was instructed to write to the Mayor in reference to the overtime and pay of timekeepers, and to askthe Corporation Counsel to advise the Board in reference to overtime and the letter of the Attorney General to the Chief of the District Police in regard to the work of men overtime in the stables.

A communication was received from the Mayor's Secretary regarding a proposed group of animals by Mr. Pope in connection with the Zoo, and the matter was referred to the Chairman to reply to the Mayor.

The Chairman submitted a letter which he proposed to send to John H. Storer in reply to his communication of November 17, regarding a modification of re-

strictions on buildings on the Fens, so that they shall cost not less than $4000 per story of twenty-five foot frontage instead of $4000 per apartment; and the Chairman was instructed to write to Mr. Storer as he suggested.

The Chairman was instructed to write the Mayor in regard to the suggested removal of the wall on Seaver street.

An order of the City Council in regard to the abatement of Columbia Road assessments, refunded assessments to be charged to the park department appropriation, was received from the Mayor's Secretary; and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from M. E. Fitz to the Mayor, protesting against tree planting in front of the Hotel Carlton, was received and placed on file. Subsequently the Chairman replied to the Mayor.

The Secretary was instructed to confer with Mr. Brady regarding his proposition to widen the north traffic road of the Arborway and to amend the restrictions on his land.

Communications from Stephen J. Gilman and George F. Wentworth, regarding playground sites in Ward 19, were received and placed on file.

Sundry communications and papers regarding the matter of the purchase of a motor boat for use at Governor's Island were referred to Mr. Coakley.

An order of the City Council, transferring appropriation for Playground Wards 7 & 9 to the appropriation for Playground Ward 7, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company, requesting permission to lay an underground conduit in Christopher Gibson Playground, with Mr. Putnam's report thereon, was received and the request declined.

The Engineer's report on certain crosswalks on Commonwealth avenue was received, and the Superintendent was instructed to lay asphalt macadam in the spring; and, meanwhile, keep the crossings clean.

The Engineer's report on the cost of pavement and walks at the proposed fountain at Chestnut Hill Park was received and referred to the Superintendent, to have an estimate made for a gravel walk.

The Engineer's report and order for extra lockers at the Strandway locker building, to be furnished by J. E. Locatelli Company, Inc.,at a cost of $490.00, were received and the order was approved.

The Chairman submitted the plans of the proposed building for the High School of Commerce in the Fens, together with studies madeby the Landscape Architect relative to the surroundings of the school, and a letter to the School Committee in reference to the proposed site and plans for the building; and the Chairman was instructed to represent the Board at a meeting with the Schoolhouse Commission, on Thursday, December 7.

VOTED, that there beallowed and paid to Wilbur J. Hatch the sum of seven hundred one and 25/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Sanitary on West Fifth-street Playground, under his contract dated October 27, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Ward 13.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John F. Griffin Company, the sum of nine hundred,twenty-eight and 20/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Gateways on Columbus-avenue Playground, under its contract dated October 24, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Columbus-avenue Playground, Grading & Gateways.

The Mayor's authority to build sanitary accommodations at the Public Landing, Marine Park, with the department force, without advertising for bids, was received and placed on file.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, DECEMBER 20, 1911

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr. Prendergast's office, 87 Milk street, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Superintendent's report on the selection of a motor boat for use at Governor's Island, and the Mayor's approval of the purchase of the same without advertising for bids were considered; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the Superintendent to purchase the boat for a sum not exceeding $1800.

The Superintendent submitted a report accompanying Mr. Putnam's report of notes taken at the American Road Builders' Convention at Rochester, November 14 to 17, which were placedon file.

The Superintendent submitted a report that Mr. Putnam, without increasing the force, will be unable to do anything on the working plans of the Bird House.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the complaint of Mrs. Campbell,

received through the Mayor's office, of broken windows from ball playing at Marcella-street Playground; andthe Secretary was instructed to reply to the Mayor.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from Mr. Shurtleff, also from Smith & Lovett, regarding their complaint of delay on the iron work at the bears' dens, which was referred to the Chairman.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the bids received December 7, for the erection of an iron picket fence at Charlestown Heights, the bids being as follows:

Eugene A. Simpson	$1125.00
American Architectural Iron Works	1175.00
Wright Wire Company	1207.50
* Van Dorn Iron Works Company	1284.00
T. A. Snow Iron Works, Inc.	1328.00
Smith & Lovett Company	1411.00
Shawmut Iron & Wire Works	1556.00
Babcock, Sanborn & Davis Company	1564.00

* No proposal filed with City Auditor

and it was

VOTED, to awardthe contract to Eugene A. Simpson.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the additional appropriation needed for the construction of a seawall at Mystic Playground; and the Chairman stated that he had written to the Mayor, after conferring with the members of the Board by telephone, recommending the additional appropriation.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the communication from Representative J. W. Griffin to the Mayor, requesting that Marcella-street Playground be flooded for skating, which was placed on file, the Chairman having replied to the Mayor.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the injury to Thomas J. McDonough, and compensation for lost time on this account, which was approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the inability of Thomas H. Mulvey to do a day's work, with sugrestion that hebe offered half compensation for his services; and it was

VOTED, to approve the Superintendent's recommendation conditional on Mulvey's acceptance of the same.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the application of Charles Fottler, for renewal of his skate-sharpening concession at Franklin Field; and it was

VOTED, to grant the same on the usual conditions,

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary, transmitting aletter from the Schoolhouse department regarding the employment of a Clerk of Works, for the erection of the Aquarium Building, was received and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted the Engineer's report on the frame work of the Aquaric Flying Cage and scheme for wire covering to make it rat proof, which was laid over.

A communication from the Railroad Commissioners, approving the relocation of the West End Street Railway tracks on Seaver street, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary, regarding Mr. Pope's idea and sketch of an animal group in concrete, was received and referred to the Chairman.

A communication from Secretary Mero, of the Public Recreation League, regarding the desirability of including in the annual budget a definite appropriation for the supervision of the parks, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary, regarding a meeting on playground sites, was received; and the Chairman was instructed to write to the Mayor.

Executive Circular No. 28, regarding minimum and maximum salaries, with annual increases, was received and referred to the Superintendent for report.

A list of the monthly bills, approved by him, was submitted by the Chairman.

A communication was received from the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company, regarding their request to place an underground pipe through Christopher Gibson Playground; and it was

VOTED, to grant a temporary location.

A communication from the Meetinghouse Hill Improvement Association, regarding a hearing for discussion of sites for a playground in the Meetinghouse Hill Section, was laid over pending action to be taken later in the meeting on the question of a playgroundin Ward 20.

VOTED, to request the Street Commissioners to take for a playground in Ward 20 the parcel of land on Homes avenue and Robinson avenue adjoining the Benjamin Cushing School and containing about 191,364 square feet, substantially as shown on a plan of the same, entitled Study No. 2 July 1911, as soon as the necessary surveys and plan can be prepared.

VOTED, to request the Street Commissioners to take for a playground in Ward 5 the parcels of land on Dunstable street, adjoining Phipps Street Burial Ground, including the location of a part of Stacey street, substantially as shown on a plan of the same, entitled Study No. 5 Modification B, November 21, 1911, and that the Street Commissioners be requested to discontinue that part of Stacey street between Dunstable street and the easterly line of the proposed taking as shown on said plan, as soon as the necessary surveys and plan can be prepared.

VOTED, to request the Street Commissioners to take for a playground in Ward 7 the parcels of land numbered 132 to 146 Tyler street, inclusive, substantially as shown on a plan of the same, entitled Study No. 7 December 1911, as soon as the necessary surveys and plan can be prepared.

A communication from the Law Department regarding the Attorney General's opinion on the eight-hour law and employment of men in the stables was received and placed on file. The Chairman stated that he had asked Mr. Pettigrew to require that, when men are employed on extra work, it should be only after they had made written application for such extra work.

A form of advertisement for proposals for building a winter bird house was received from Mr. Austin, and referred to the Chairman to inform the Mayor.

VOTED, to agree to Mr. Brady's request for a modification of the restrictions on his land on the Arborway, in consideration of his giving to the city a strip seven feet in width to widen the roadway.

A communication from Nathan Matthews, notifying the Board, that, if the Commercial High School is located in the Fens, his clients will apply to the courts for an injunction, was received and placed on file. The Chairman stated that he had notified the Mayor and Schoolhouse Commission of Mr. Matthew's communication.

A communication from Col. F. V. Abbot, regarding the construction of a small building on Governor's Island, without any scheme of general improvement having been approved by the Secretary of War, was received and referred to the Chairman to confer with Col. Abbot.

The Superintendent submitted a report on proposed filling from subway excavations at Orient Heights Playground, which was placed on file.

The Superintendent's report on the application of John J. Donovan for a pension was approved.

A communication from the Meetinghouse Hill Improvement Association, regarding a hearing for a discussion of sites for a playground in the Meetinghouse Hill Section, was taken up and placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the estimated cost of the work of constructing the walks in front and at the rear of the fountain at Chestnut Hill Reservoir, according to Coolidge and Carlson's plan; and the Secretary was instructed to write Messrs. Coolidge & Carlson, that, in case the fountain fund is insufficient to make these changes, the park department will assume the cost.

The Superintendent's report and plan of concrete fence at West Third and West Fifth street playgrounds was referred to the Chairman for approval of design, and were approved by him.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to George T. Rendle the sum of one hundred sixty-five and 00/100 dollars, being for second and final estimate of

work done and material furnished on Concrete Wall on Columbus-avenue Playground, under his contract approved September 5, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playgrounds Improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John F. Griffin Company the sum of nine hundred sixty-one and 35/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on changes in gables and chimneys at Franklin Field Locker Building, under its contract approved October 25, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Franklin Field Locker Building, completion of.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William L. Morrison Company the sum of one thousand five hundred forty-eight and 6/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Concrete Floors in Bears Cages in Franklin Park, under its contract approved September 27, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. C. Coleman & Sons Company, the sum of one thousand seven hundred fifty-nine and 66/100 dollars, being for third and final estimate of work done and material furnished on Asphalt Macadam on Riverway, under its contract approved July 11, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Carroll Construction Company the sum of nine thousand two hundred eighty-two and 42/100 dollars, being for fifth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Aquarium Building, Marine Park, under its contract approved June 11, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request onthe City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William L. Morrison Company the sum of four hundred sixty-one and 55/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Pergola and Walls on Prince-street Playground, under its contract approved September 5, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request onthe City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Prince-street Playground improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John A. Rooney the sumof three thous-

– and nine hundred seventy and 35/100 dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Walls and Bears Dens in Franklin Park, under his contract approved June 26, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draftin favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, JANUARY 2, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr. Prendergast's office, 87 Milk street, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs.Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a plan of suggested location for the locker building at the Forest Hills Playground, which was approved.

The Superintendent submitted a request from John T. Benson, for four weeks' leave of absence; and it was

VOTED, that leave of absence be granted as requested, without pay.

The Superintendent submitted a report recommending the purchase of a Metz automobile for the timekeepers' use, at a cost of $495; and it was

VOTED, to purchase the same.

The Superintendent's report on the letter of Henry A. Merwin, President Boston Work-Horse Parade Association, with reference to entering the park department stables for competition for prizes this year, was read and placed on file.

The Superintendent's report on Mrs.Bowlker's letter to the Mayor, regarding the conditions at various playgrounds, was read and placed on file.

The Superintendent's report on the cost of erecting the balustrade at the Franklin Field locker building was referred to the Chairman to bring the same to the attention of the Mayor.

The Chairman was instructed to write the Mayor in regard to the list of names recommended for increase of pay, which has lately been sent tohim.

A communication was received from Henry Abrahams, in regard to giving the Grievance Committee of the Central Labor Union a hearing, to take up the griev-

ances of the park department employees; and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the letter of Edward W. Burns to the Mayor, in regard to the condition of Savin Hill Playground; and the Chairman was instructed to write to the Mayor, requesting that the appropriation for the improvement of the Savin Hill Playground be made available for the acquisition of additional land.

The Superintendent submitted a report on work to bedone at Marcella-street Playground, also Cottage-street, Charlestown and Roslindale playgrounds; and it was

VOTED, thatthe Superintendent be authorized to do the work he suggests on various playgrounds so far as the money available will allow.

A communication was received from Miss M. E. Goodale, suggesting land on Blue Hill avenue, near Morton street, for a playground; and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary, in reference to designs for park seats, was received and placed on file.

Communications from Chairman Logue of the Schoolhouse Commissioners, and from Arthur A. Shurtleff, in reference to the plans and site of the proposed High School of Commerce in the Fens, were received; and it was

VOTED, that the architect's plans for the proposed High School of Commerce in the Fens, and the sketch for the site, comprising seven drawings and one letter, received from the Schoolhouse Commission this day, be approved, and that the Chairman endorse said approval on the plans.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary, stating that the Mayor had received a petition signed by several hundred residents of Ward 19, requesting that one large playground be provided for the ward, located on Oriental and Nicholson courts, Phillips and Smith streets, instead of two smaller ones, was received and placed on file.

City Council orders appropriating $20,000 for a shelter and boatlanding at Jamaica Pond, $24,000 for a bathhouse at Dewey Beach, Charlestown, $10,000 for Mystic Playground, seawall and fence, and $50,000 for playground accommodations in Ward 2, were received and placed on file.

VOTED, that there beallowed and paid to Porter & Pearl the sum of one thousand two hundred sixty-two and 25/100 dollars, being for third approximate on repairing Pier Head at Marine Park estimate of work done and material furnished/under their contract approved September 27, 1911, and that the Chairmansign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Marine Park, Pier Head, completion of.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. H. McCarthy the sum of ninety-seven and 73/100 dollars, being for seventh and final estinate of work done and material furnished on brick and concrete walks on Charlesbank, under his contract dated November 8, 1910, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Charlesbank, improvement.

VOTED, that there beallowed and paid to William L. Morrison Company the sum of one hundred twenty-four and 95/100 dollars, being for second and final estimate of work done and material furnished on Sanitary on West Third-street Playground, under itscontract dated September 27, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playgrounds, Ward 13.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William L. Morrison Company the sum of three hundred ninety-six and 45/100 dollars, being for third and final estimate of workdone and material furnished on Pergola and Walls on Prince-street Playground, under its contract dated September 5, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriaton for Prince-street Playground, improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to New England Structural Company the sum of one thousand three hundred ten and 10/100 dollars, being for second and final estimate of work done and material furnished on Aquatic Flying Cage on Franklin Park, under its contract dated June 26, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draftin favor of saidpayment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Wilbur J. Hatch the sum of one hundred twenty-three and 75/100 dollars, being for second and final estimate of work done and material furnished on Sanitary on West Fifth-street Playground, under his contract dated October 27, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draftin favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playgrounds, Ward 13.

VOTED, that therebe allowed and paid to John F. Griffin Company the sum of one hundred sixty-nine and 65/100 dollars, being for second and final estimate of work done and material furnished on changes in Gables and Chimneys at Franklin Field locker building, under its contract dated October 25, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Franklin Field, locker building, completion of.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John F. Stout the sum of one thous

and seven hundred seventy-five and 00/100 dollars, being for one motor boat, in accordance with contract approved by the Mayor December 29, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Governor's Island improvement.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. E. Locatelli Company, the sum of three thousand one hundred forty-five and 00/100 dollars, being for fourth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Sanitary and Locker Building, on Strandway Playground, under its contract approved July 18, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Locker and Sanitary Building, Strandway Playground.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John J. Lane, the sum of one thousand four hundred ninety-threeand 81/100 dollars, being for third and final estimate of work done and material furnished on tree pits on Commonwealth avenue, under his contract dated September 27, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of saidpayment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Commonwealth avenue, trees.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, JANUARY 15, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr. Prendergast's office, 87 Milk street, at 4 P.M: Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Coakley, also Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the proposals received January 4 for furnishing four spraying outfits and a 40-H.P. gasoline engine for the repair shop, as follows:

SPRAYING OUTFIT MACHINERY

Charles J. Jager Company	$1670.00 each
If alluminum base is substituted &c.	110.00 additional
Fitzhenry-Guptill Company	985.00 each

ONE 40-H.P. 4 CYCLE GASOLINE ENGINE

Fairbanks, Morse&Company	$1295.00
Standard Scale & Equipment Company	1500.00
National Meter Company	1565.00

- and it was

VOTED, to accept the lowest bids.

The Superintendent submitted a report on oil house equipment, proposals having been received as follows:

S. F. Bowser & Company	$459.35
Standard Oil Company	549.90

and it was

VOTED, to accept the lowest bid.

The Superintendent submitted a report, recommending the purchase of nursery stock from Barbier & Company, to the amount of $937.10; and it was

VOTED, that the Superintendent be authorized to purchase nursery stock as he recommends.

The Superintendent submitted a report, recommending the purchase of a taxi; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the Superintendent to obtain offers for a closed automobile for his use, and report the same to the Board.

The Superintendent submitted a report, recommending the purchase of two teams of draft horses; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the Superintendent to purchase the same.

The Superintendent submitted maintenance estimates for the coming year, which were adopted; and the Chairman was instructed to send them to the Mayor.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the disposition of the Savin Hill Playground appropriation for improvement; and, on recommendation of the Superintendent, the Superintendent was instructed to get out specifications and advertise for bids for dredging the flats and filling Savin Hill Playground.

VOTED, to send Mr. Putnam to the Cement Concrete Exposition, to be held in Madison Square Garden, New York, January 29 to February 3.

VOTED, to approve the retirement of Edward Foley, veteran, on half pay, to take effect on the Mayor's approval.

The Superintendent submitted a report, recommending pay for lost time for Foreman Edgeworth and to James Cronin, laborer; and it was

VOTED, to approve the Superintendent's recommendations.

The Superintendent submitted a report, recommending the retention of temporary men, and putting all men on half-time in February; and it was

VOTED, to instruct the Superintendent to suspend the men taken on for temporary work.

The Superintendent submitted a report, recommending the approval of his recommendations for advances in employees' wages; and the Chairman was instructed to write to the Mayor.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the application of Robert Hindle for position as engineer of the Aquarium Building, which was placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report on a communication from Mr. Tinkham, regarding a cabstand for Mr. Kelley at Charlesgate East; and the Chairman was instructed to write Mr. Tinkham that the Board declines to grant Kelley's application.

City Council orders appropriating $25,000 for a playground in Ward 23,and $15,000 for a playground in Ward 25, also $8,000 for repayment of Columbia Road assessments, were received; and it was

VOTED, to advertise for land for playgrounds in wards 2, 23 & 25.

Communications from H. C. Ernst and the Jamaica Plain Tuesday Club, regarding playground sites in Ward 23, were received and laid over. The Superintendent was instructed to report on playground sites in Ward 23, also wards 2 and 25.

A communication from Mr. Leahy, Secretary tothe Mayor, enclosing report from the Public Works Department regarding pollution of water from the Brookline side of the Parkway, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the Mayor, regarding laying out a street from the junction of Huntington avenue and Hemenway street to the junction of Jersey street and Audubon,Road, was received and the Chairman was instructed to reply.

A communication from the Mayor, acknowledging letters regarding the work at Franklin Field by the department force, and appropriations for improvements, were received and placed on file.

A communication from the Public Works Department, enclosing letter from F. C. Garmon, regarding the use of the bridge at Charlesgate West, was received; and Mr. Garmon's letter was referred to the Superintendent for report.

The Secretary was instructed to notify the Law Department, that this department is informed that an apartment house at #463 Audubon Road has been built not in accordance with the restrictions on the land, and request the Law Department, if the law has been violated, to see that the restrictions are enforced.

VOTED, that the City Treasurer be requested to pay Morris Noonan, brother of James Noonan, deceased, the amount due him on the payrolls of this department.

A notice from the City Auditor of an execution of court for $1864.69,paid to Joseph L. Bergman for land damages, Ward 17 Playground, was received and placed on file.

VOTED, to pay final estimates to Wilbur J. Hatch for sanitary, West Fifth-

street Playground, and John F. Griffin & Company for gables at Franklin Field locker building, before the expiration of the sixty-one days they are required to be held under the contracts, provided they file a bond to indemnify the city against any claims for labor or material furnished, or certified check, with the City Auditor.

A report was received from Mr. Shurtleff, in regard to wirenetting for the bird cage, which was referred to the Superintendent for report.

The Chairman was instructed to write to Mr. Austin in regard to modifying the plans for the bird house, and that the Board will approve a payment of $1000 on account of commission.

The Chairman was instructed to write to Henry Abrahams, Secretary Boston Central Labor Union, declining a conference as requested in his letter of January 5.

A letter was sent to Representative H. A. McElany, Jr., in answer to his request for a list of offers for land for playground in Ward 20.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William L. Morrison Company the sum of nine hundred forty-eight and 82/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnsihed on concrete floors in Bear Cages, in Franklin Park, under its contract approved September 27, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, JANUARY 19, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr. Prendergast's office, 87 Milk street, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Prendergast and Cockley, also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the bill of John T. Shea, Jr., for extra work performed on the J. H. McCarthy contract at the Charlesbank, also a report from Engineer Putnam on the claim and the Secretary was instructed to interview Mr. Shea and inform him of Mr. Putnam's report.

The Superintendent submitted a report stating that the Fairbanks-Morse

engine cannotbe delivered before the end of the fiscal year, and recommending that instead of the engine four more horses be purchased, making four teams in all; and it was

VOTED, to rescind the vote accepting the proposal of the Fairbanks-Morse Company, and to reject all the proposals for the 40-H.P.engine, and request the Mayor for authority to purchase the horses recommended by the Superintendent, without advertising for proposals.

The Superintendent submitted a report in regard to filling at the Orient Heights Playground, which was placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a report regarding the grading plans for the pond and brook outside the bird cage for the Zoological Garden, which was placed on file.

A communication was received from Arthur A. Shurtleff, transmitting plans for the Zoological Park embodying all the changes suggested; and it was

VOTED, to approve plans as follows: Plan No. 100, General Scheme for the Zoo, corrected to January 19: Plan No. 101, General Flying Cage Scheme, showing Bird House, Cage, Pool and Duck Pond, corrected to January 19; Plan No. 103, Sheets 1, 2 & 3, showing the Masonry Pools and Brook for the Aquatic Flying Cage, corrected to January 16, 1912.

A communication was received from William D. Austin, stating that he is to prepare alternative plans of the Bird House, to obtain proposals on these and on the original plans, including alternative proposals on minor changes in various details of the construction, with the understanding that he is to get such a building as can be built for $75,000, and for his commission to work the drawings and specifications over until this is accomplished; and it was

VOTED, that Mr. Austin's proposition be approved by the Board, and that a copy of the same be furnished to him.

Communications from the Jamaica Plain Tuesday Club, favoring the Carolina avenue site for a playground in that district, also from the Jamaica Plain Neighborhood House Association, signed by all the officers of the Association, favoring the same site, also a communication from Dr. Harold C. Ernst, Chairman of the Committee of the Jamaica Plains Citizens' Association to consider favorable localities for the proposed playground, stating the action taken at a public meeting of the citizens of Jamaica Plain, and a communication from Mrs.Appleton in reference to the playground, which was read aloud to the Board. The several letters and reports were read and placed on file.

On recommendation from the Superintendent it was

VOTED, to give Joseph Cushing the privilege of sharpening skates with a foot lathe at Jamaica Pond, for this season, as an accommodation to the skaters who go there.

A communication from the Corporation Counsel, Thomas M. Babson, in reference to the enforcement of the restrictions on the lot at 463 Audubon Road, upon which an apartment house is being erected, was received and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary acknowledging the Chairman's letters of January 16, in reference to the construction of a street across the Fens, from Huntington avenue to Jersey street, and to the making of park seats, was received and placed on file.

A communication was sent to the Mayor, recommending the acceptance of Patrick J. Brady's offer to give a strip of land to widen the Arborway adjoining his estate, provided the city will construct the road and modify restrictions on his remaining land in certain particulars.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Carroll Construction Company the sum of fifty-nine hundred fifty dollars, being for sixth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Aquarium Building, Marine Park, under its contract approved June 11, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William Downes Austin the sum of ten hundred sixty-eight and 70/100 dollars on account of his bill of January 10, 1912, for commission and travelling expenses in connection withthe birdhouse at Franklin Park, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, JANUARY 30, 1912

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Chairman's office, 53 State street, at 1 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Coakley.

VOTED, that the Chairman make a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of Charles H. Slattery, City Treasurer, for the sum of thirty-two hundred sixty-seven and 91/100 dollars, the same being for payment of bills as per schedule for the January 31 draft.

A communication from the Mayor's Secretary, in regard to filling for the construction of the street over the Fens, from Huntington avenue to Jersey

street, together with a report from the Superintendent thereon, were received; and the Chairman was instructed to write to the Mayor and the Engineer of the Rapid Transit Commission, in regard to the use of earth from the Boylston-street tunnel for this purpose, and to ask the Mayor for an appropriation for taking care of the filling delivered.

VOTED, to ask Mr. Shurtleff to prepare a plan for a plaza at the Charlesgate connection with the new embankment, also to consider how Commonwealth avenue bridge might be widened, and the use of material from the Boylston-street Subway for the abutments.

A communication was received from E. B. Mero, Secretary Public Recreation League, in reference to the employment of competent men as guides in Franklin Park and the Fens, to acquaint visitors with interesting features of the parks and to promote special activities in their use; and the Chairman was instructed to reply, expressing sympathy with the plan, and that the Board, on more definite information, will endeavor to arrange for a trial of the experiment.

The Chairman was instructed to write to Lieut. Col.A. M. Brett, Superintendent of Yellowstone Park, that the Board has, as yet, no appropriation for the purchase of bears, and will communicate with him later.

The Chairman was instructed to suggest to the Schoolhouse Commission that the Magnolia-street lot be added to the school playground rather than be laid out by this Board as an independent playground.

Copy of a petition to the Mayor for a park and swimming place on the water front between the north and south ferries was received from James E. Fitzgerald, with the statement that the only available places to meet these conditions are Lyon & Dupee's Wharf and the Hodge Boiler Works Wharf, East Boston.

A communication was sent to the Mayor requesting authority to purchase a gasoline motor cab from the White Company for $2350, withoutadvertising for bids.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, FEBRUARY 16, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Room 627, Tremont Building, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Coakley, Mr.Prendergast having resigned from the Board; also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting, and of special meeting of January 30, were read and approved.

The Superintendent submitted a report on balances of appropriations available for transfer, and the Chairman was instructed to write to the Mayor recommending the transfers to provide for improvements on the Sullivan Square, Cottage-street and Commonwealth playgrounds.

The Superintendent submitted a report on items of work for the completion of the Zoo and Aquarium, and the additional amount required, which was referred to the Chairman to submit the same to the Mayor.

The Chairman was instructed to write to the Secretary of the Interior in regard to procuring bears and other animals from the Yellowstone National Park, for the Zoo.

The Superintendent submitted a report on the route of the proposed Subway, and the removal of trees in the Fens and on Commonwealth avenue and the necessity of protecting others during its construction, which was placed on file.

The Superintendent submitted a recommendation of the Engineer, on the request of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company, for a permit for laying underground conduits in Commonwealth avenue; and it was

VOTED, that a permit be issued to the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company to lay underground conduits in Commonwealth avenue, from Long avenue to Warren street, and from Gorham street to Idlewild street, in accordance with plan approved by the Superintendent of Parks.

Proposals for masonry for the Aquatic Flying Cage, received February 1, 1912, were considered as follows:

John F. Griffin Company	$10,798.00
West Roxbury Trap Rock Company	11,989.00
William L. Morrison Company	12,565.00
John A. Rooney	13,720.00
John McCourt & Company	15,528.00

and it was

VOTED, to accept the lowest bid.

An order of the City Council, appropriating $25,000 for playground accommodations in the Mattapan District, was received and placed on file.

Proposals were received for playground sites in wards 23 and 25 as follows:

WARD 25

	Sq.ft.	Assessed Value	Price	Location
Herbert A.Wilson Tr. under will of George A. Wilson	200,000	$16,700.00	$15,000	Everett street (Dummy Field)
do. do.	279,029	16,700.00	22,322.32	" " " "
Dwight Baldwin, Agt.	88,061	11,900.00	14,280	Penniman & Emery Roads
F.W.Hollis, Tr.	24,737	14,700.00	12,000	Between Brighton ave.& Cambridge st., facing Harvard ave.
do. do.	140,625	16,875.00	14,062.50	Holbrook place.
Dwight Baldwin Agt. Hrs. J.W.Hollis	90,994	11,995.65	14,863.35	Griggs st & Webster place
Henry D. Dennett	192,118	17,000.00	15,000	54-58 Market st & Portsmouth

WARD 23

	Sq.ft.	Assessed Value	Price	Location
Catherine Regan	5,000	$1,000 land 500 Bldg	$1,875.00	Between Child & Keyes sts
J.M.Cameron Agt.	10,922	2,200		
	18,068	3,300		
	18,455	3,300		
	3,110	300		
	50,555	9,100	9,100.00	Woodman & Custer sts.
Frederick W.Hassam	107,964	21,500	21,500.00	Child street
W.B.Warner - William H.Goodwin Estate	46,725	12,600 land) 2,700 bldgs(	25,000.00	Carolina avenue
	83,955	21,000)		
Catherine A.Broderick	4,047.5	800 land 1,800 bldgs.	5,000.00	48 Goldsmith street
Andrew J. Peters	52,500	3,200	4,000.00	Chocorua Road
(A.H.Weed,Attorney)	82,105	12,100	12,100.00	Between Hyde Park ave. & N.Y.N.H.& H.R.R.

The Superintendent submitted a report on bids received for iron fencing at West Third and West Fifth street playgrounds, as follows:

	Park Dept Design	Angle Iron Pickets & Rails	Solid Pickets, Channel & Angle Iron Rails.	
Champion Iron Company	$400.00		$365.00	F.O.B.Boston
A. Johanson & Company	430.00	$390.00	390.00	Delivered
Eugene A. Simpson	465.00		410.00	Delivered
Home Fence Company	489.25		455.78	F.O.B.Boston
F.E.Carpenter Company	510.00		485.00	Delivered
Shawmut Iron & Wire Works	575.00	495.00		Delivered
Wright Wire Company	592.25		566.50	"
Puritan Iron Works	643.75	602.55		"
Van Dorn Iron Works Co.	654.00		557.00	"
Smith & Lovett Company	729.00			"
Rawles-Cobb Company	745.00			"
American Architectural Iron Works Company	744.00		587.00	"
Babcock,Sanborn & Davis Co.	800.00		610.00	"
P. J. Dinn & Company	824.00			"
W.A.Snow Iron Works Co.	885.00	684.00		"

and it was

VOTED, to accept the bid of A. Johanson & Company, as recommended by the Superintendent.

The application of Gabriel Farrell for a renewal of his concession at Charlesbank was received and laid over.

A communication from Commissioner Rourke of the Public Works Department, requesting approval of plan of Tetlow street, from Worthington street to the Tremont Entrance to the Fens, was received; and it was

VOTED, to approve the same, andthat the Chairman endorse said approval on the plan.

Executive Circular. No. 29, in regard to annual reports, was received and placed on file.

An order of the City Council, authorizing amendment of the restrictions in the Fens, was received; and it was

VOTED, that when the Commission grants modifications in the restrictions on the lands abutting upon the Fens, according to the order of the City Council

approved by the Mayor February 3, 1912, it will do so only with the further condition that the designs of the fronts of any buildings affected by such modifications shall be such as the board approves as being suitable for frontage on the parkway.

VOTED, to approve the retirement of Timothy Devine, a veteran, his pension to date from January 22, 1912.

VOTED, to approve the payment of $21.38 to Jeremiah Mackey, for injury received while in the discharge of his duties.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. E. Locatelli Company the sum of one thousand eight hundred twenty-seven and 50/100 dollars, being for fifth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on locker and sanitary building on Strandway Playground, under its contract approved July 18, 1911, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Locker and Sanitary Building, Strandway Playground.

VOTED, to approve a vote of the committee on claims, for the payment of one hundred dollars, in settlement of the claim of Mrs. Marple, for injuries sustained by falling over brush on Columbia Road.

A communication from William Brewster, regarding netting for the Flying Cage, rat-proofing the same, and restriction of the cage to certain birds, was received and referred to the chairman to submit the whole matter to John E. Thayer, together with Mr. Benson's estimate for birds for the flying cage.

A communication from Secretary Leahy, regarding an appropriation for the construction of a street across the Fens, from Huntington Entrance to Jersey street, also Mr. Shurtleff's plan and Mr. Putnam's report on estimates, were received; and the chairman was instructed to send the plan to the mayor with Mr. Putnam's estimates of the cost of building the road.

The superintendent's report on the communication from W. P. Hewins, regarding additional space for hockey at Franklin Field, was received, and the secretary was instructed to reply.

VOTED, to approve the chairman's letter to the commissioner of public works, in regard to Neponset channel, in the playground.

VOTED, to approve the planting scheme at the flying cage, as arranged by Mr. Pettigrew and Mr. Shurtleff, and referred to in Mr. Shurtleff's letter of February 8, 1912.

VOTED, to approve the recommendation of Mr. Austin, todeduct item 6 of allowances from the contract of the Carroll Construction Company, and make a contract with the Boston Plate & Window Glass Company for the delivery of the glass, and attend later tothe setting of the same.

An application was received from the Boston Elevated Railway Company, for approval of the relocation of tracks on Seaver street at Humboldt avenue; and it was

VOTED, that the West End Street Railway Company be given leave to construct, maintain and use an alteration of its existing location on Seaver street at Humboldt avenue; viz., a relocation of the existing curved tracks (so far as the jurisdiction of this board may extend), substantially as shown by red lines on plan of A.L.Plimpton, Civil Engineer, dated February 15, 1912, filed herewith; together with all necessary curves, cross-overs, switches and connections; said alterations being in substitution for existing tracks as shown by dotted black lines on the aforesaid plan. Also that permission be given said company to establish and maintain the overhead single trolley electric system of motive power in the operation of its cars on said new tracks, and to erect, maintain and use the necessary poles; also wires, applicanes and electrical appliances and apparatus and to make the underground and surface alterations of the streets necessary for that purpose: subject to all the conditions under which the original location was granted November 29, 1898.

VOTED, to authorize Mr. Shurtleff to furnish a suitable copy of the Jersey street plan, to be sent to Mrs. R. B. Evans.

A report was received from Mr. Shurtleff, in regard to the Magnolia-street lot, and the chairman was instructed to write to School Commissioner Logue in reference to Mr. Shurtleff's recommendation that the school yard be extended to occupy the whole of thelot.

A letter from Andreas Blume was received, offering to deed to the city a lot of land in the rear of Dartmouth street and Columbus avenue, known as Leighton Park, subject to the conditions under which he holds title to the same as trustee; and was referred to the superintendent to consider the same with Mr. Shurtleff.

VOTED, to ask Mr. Austin to review the building at Wood Island Park and report what repairs are needed; also to ask Mr. Austin and Mr. Pettigrew to look over the Women's Gymnasium Building and Men's Sanitary Building, at Charlesbank, to see what improvements can be made within the balance of the appropriation.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, FEBRUARY 23, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 827, Tremont Building, at 4 P.M . Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A copy of a notice of theappointment of D. Henry Sullivan, to serve temporarily as park commissioner, in place of James M. Prendergast, resigned, was received from the mayor's office and placed on file.

VOTED, that in the absence of the chairman and the chairman pro tem., Mr. Sullivan act as chairman pro tem, and be authorized to approveof drafts and bills.

The superintendent submitted reports on proposals received February 16, as follows:

SANITARY & LOCKER BUILDING FOREST HILLS PLAYGROUND

Hapgood Frost Company	11,654 00
" " " if N.E.Cement Co.stone	11,434 00
Louis B. Cadario	11,790 00
Conners Brothers Company	12,500 00
Walsh Brothers	12,700 00
John F. Griffin Co.,	12,746 00
Marr Brothers & Stewart Company	12,850 00
Forbes L. McKenzie	13,475 00
J. E. Locatelli Company	14,600 00
Joseph Slotnik	14,675 00
Joseph M. Dolan(No proposal filed with Auditor)	15,023 00
McDonald & Kivell	15,179 00

CONCRETE SHELTERS & SANITARIES COPP'S HILL TERRACES

	Upper Shelter	Lower Shelter & Terrace
William L. Morrison Company	29,670 00	8,700 00
W. A. Hurtfeldt Company	32,988 00	12,804 00
Conners Brothers Company	34,436 00	17,337 00

FILLING ON ORIENT HEIGHTS PLAYGROUND

Central Construction Company	$0.57 per cu.yd.
Rowe Contracting Company	.58 " "
A. De Stefano	.59 " "
John J. Loonie	.69 " "
Bianco & Bianco	.72 " "
Grant Construction Company	.72 " "
John Kelly Company	.87 " "

40 H.P. GASOLINE ENGINE

National Meter Company	1,565 00	
Chandler & Farquhar Company	1,392 50	
Charles J. Jager Company	1,271 00	Fairbanks-Morse Air
	66 00	starting equipment
	1,155 00	Foos engine
St. Mary's Machine Co.(No proposal filed with City Auditor)	1,200 00	
Fairbanks Company " " " "	990 00	35 HP type F
	1,300 00	35 HP type B
Fairbanks, Morse Company	1,168 00	
Standard Scale & Equipment Company	1,150 00	Callahan
	1,250 00	Columbus
	1,275 00	#2 Little Big

and it was

VOTED, to accept the bid of the Fairbanks-Morse Company for the 40 HP gasoline engine, and the lowest bids on the sanitary and locker building at Forest Hills Playground, and filling at Orient Heights Playground.

The following proposals, received February 16, for the winter bird house:

Scheme A. Items as follows.

	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7
Carroll Construction Co.	$105,000	$2650	$840	$350	$3152	$1240	$3.00
Conners Brothers Co.	105 500	770	820	220	1000	830	2.50
J.E.Locatelli Co.	116 692	3500	1010	300	1226	487	3.00
John F.Griffin Co.	120 848	1136	960	385	876	437	2.00
Richard Gibson	136 427	1800	1000	851	1200	480	3.10

Scheme B. Items as follows.

	#8	#9	#10	#11	#12	#13
Carroll Construction Co.	89 500	2262	460	170	2127	1047
Conners Brothers Co.	88 250	500	530	160	600	100
J. E. Locatelli Co.	95 051	3000	800	150	277	176
John F.Griffin Co.	97 282	644	820	220	225	460
Richard Gibson	---	--	--	--	--	--

with a letter from the Connors Brothers Company regarding their bid, were considered, and the matter was referred to the chairman to see if additional money from the Parkman Fund can be secured.

A communication was received from the mayor's secretary, acknowledging the chairman's letters in regard to unexpended balances for transfer and the new street in the Fens, which was placed on file.

A communication from the mayor's secretary, acknowledgingreceipt of a letter sent to F. C. Garmon, regarding improvements at Charlesgate, was received and placed on file.

An application from the Edison Electric Illuminating Company, was received, requesting permission to place two carrying poles and one lamp post on Randolph-street Playground, also a report from Mr. Putnam, recommending that the wires be placed underground; and the secretary was instructed to notify the Edison Company, that the board will require the wiresto be put under ground.

An application was received from the Boston Elevated Railway Company, requesting permission to relocate tracks on Columbia Road at Washington street, Dorchester; and it was

VOTED, that the West End Street Railway Company be given leave to construct, maintain and use an alteration of its existing locations; viz., on Columbia Road at Washington street, Dorchester (so far as the jurisdiction of this board may extend), a relocation of the northerly of the existing tracks and of the curves at the easterly corner of said Columbia Road and Washington street, substantially as shown by red lines on plan of A.L.Plimpton, Civil Engineer, dated February 14, 1912, filed with the petition for this permit, together with all necessary curves, cross-overs, switches and connections:said alterations being in substitution for existing tracks as shown by dotted black lines on the aforesaid plan.

Also, that permission be given said company to establish and maintain the overhead single trolley electric system of motive power in the operation

of its cars on said new tracks, and to erect maintain and use the necessary poles, also wires, appliances and electrical appliances and apparatus and to make the underground and surfacealterations of the streets necessary for that purpose; subject to the conditions contained in the vote of this board of April 5, 1910, for the construction of tracks in Columbia Road, at its junction with Geneva avenue.

The secretary was instructed to advertise for proposals for land for a playground in Ward 24.

The application of Gabriel Farrell for a five-years' lease of Charlesbank boating concession, laid over from the last meeting, was considered; and the chairman was authorized to ask Mr. Austin to confer with Mr. Farrell and advise the board as to the kind of building required for his boathouse.

The application of the Columbian Rowing Association, for permission to camp on Governor's Island, during the summer months, was received; and the secretary was instructed to inquire as to the powers of the board to grant the request, and what permission the association has had before.

A communication from the assistant secretary of the department of the interior, regarding bears and other animals from the National Park, was received and referred to the chairman to write for suitable animals and cost of the same.

A communication from Joseph Balch, regarding the application of the Edison Electric Illuminating Company for permission to locate a temporary building on the Nickerson land, at the corner of Ipswich and Boylston streets, was received; and the secretary was instructed to see the law department with reference to the restrictions on the land.

A communication received through the mayor's office from Joseph Sullivan, President Lincoln Club of Dorchester, regarding the condition of the Gibson Playground, was received and referred to the superintendent to see that the ball field is kept in good condition.

A plan of proposed seawall, Mystic Playground, was received, and the secretary was instructed to see if it is feasible to petition the Legislature at this season for a change in the harbor lines.

The secretary wasinstructed to call the attention of the law department to Legislative hearings, February 26, on House Bill 209, relative to the improvement of the harbor about which the board has already addressed a letter to the committee; and, on March 12, on bill accompanying petition of Joseph Lee, for legislation to better define the duties of the school committee and the park department of the City of Boston, in the matter of playgrounds and gymnasia..

A letter from Emerson Brown, in reference to prehistoric mammals, and in

reply to a communication from the chairman, was received and placed on file.

VOTED, to request the street commissioners to take for a playground in Ward 25, the parcel of land on Portsmouth street extending to the rear of lots fronting on Market street, and containing about 200,585 square feet, substantially as shown on a plan of the same, entitled, Study No. 1 for proposed playground Ward 25, December 1911.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, FEBRUARY 28, 1912

A meeting of the Board of park commissioners was held in room 827 Tremont Building, at 2.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan. The records of the last meeting wereread and approved.

The superintendent's estimate for excavating the lily ponds and planting trees near the flying cage were considered, and the chairman was instructed to write to the mayor in regard to including these items in the estimate for the Zoological Garden and appropriating money for the bird house; also to see the chairman of the committee on the Parkman Fund, in regard to appropriations for the Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

The chairman was instructed to take up the matter of the concrete shelters and sanitaries at the Copp's Hill Terraces with the architect, and see if the plans cannot be modified to being the proposed structures within the appropriation.

The chaiman stated, that, with Mr. Sullivan, he had visited the proposed sites for the Ward 23 playground, and that, before making a selection, it would be desirable to have an estimate made for converting the Carolina avenue land into a playground. It was, thereupon

VOTED, to have the superintendent submit an estimate of the cost of making a good-sized ball ground on this site.

A communication from Corporation Counsel Babson, in regard to the temporary use by the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of a lot of land on Boylston and Ipswich streets bordering on the Fens, was received, and the chairman was instructed to inform Mr. Balch of Mr. Babson's opinion.

A communication from the commissioner of public works, in regard to the improvement of the Oakland brook channel at Neponset Playground, was received and placed on file.

VOTED, special draft Carroll Const'n Co., for $2890.00, seventh approximate

estimate on Aquarium Building, charged to Zoological Garden & Aquarium.

A communication from E. B. Mero, Secretary Public Recreation League, in regard to supplying guides for Franklin Park, was received and referred to the chairman for reply.

The secretary was instructed to inquire whether the Sight-Seeing Automobile Company would be interested to establish a service to Franklin Park.

A communication from Joseph W. Homer, agent for the Worthington Heirs, stating that they do not desire to sell any part of their beach or flats at Savin Hill, was received and placed on file.

VOTED, to pay William J. Barry's bill of May 25, 1911, for loam for Arborway, without further delay, if the superintendent says that the loam was furnished as stated.

The chairman stated that complaints had been made to him of the Strandway dump being in an unsanitary condition, and the secretary was instructed to ask the superintendent to investigate the complaint and see that the dump is properly looked after.

A request of R. G. Stowell for a renewal of his concession for a boat service at Jamaica Pond was received; and it was

VOTED, that, with the approval of the mayor, Ralph G. Stowell be granted the privilege of maintaining and operating for hire a public boat service, and of selling light refreshments, including confectionery and fruit (except bananas, water melons and unshelled peanuts), at the boat landing at Jamaica Pond, for the season of 1912;on condition that he pay to the city on or beforeJuly 1, the sum of fifty dollars for said privilege, furnish an equipment of boats and landing facilities equal to those furnished heretofore, keep his premises for the sale of refreshments clean and tidy, lock the gate and oars up at night, and allow no one the use of the boats early in the morning unless an attendant is on duty: all of said service to be under the supervision of the police, and to be subject to revocation if the business is not carried on to the satisfaction of this board.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secretary.

BOSTON, MARCH 9, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan, also present Super-

intendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The superintendent submitted a report on the offer of Andreas Blume to to transfer to the city the title to the lot of land in the rear of Dartmouth street and Columbus avenue, and known as Leighton Park; and the matter was referred to the chairman to submit the proposition to the mayor.

The superintendent submitted a report on the proposed seawall at Mystic Playground; and it was

VOTED, to make application to the Directors of the Port, for a license to fill and build seawall at Mystic Playground.

The superintendent submitted a report on the flying cage, Charlesbank trees, Strandway Playground trees and planting at Castle Island, which was placed on file.

The superintendent submutted a report on McKinney Brothers' bill for horses, and the superintendent was instructed to ask Dr. White to explain why the bill is so much in excess of his instructions.

The superintendent submitted a report in reference to stocking the flying cage, giving a list of ducks and geese presented to the Zoo by Mr. J.E. Thayer; and the chairman was instructed to thank Mr. Thayer on behalf of the board for his generous gift.

The superintendent submitted a report in reference to the petition of Timothy H. Sullivan, for a carriage stand on the northeast corner of Commonwealth and Massachusetts avenues; and it was

VOTED, that Timothy H. Sullivan be permitted, until further notice, to stand with one horse and coupé at the park at the northeast corner of Commonwealth avenue and Massachusetts avenue, the premises to be kept in a condition satisfactory to the superintendent of parks.

The superintendent submitted a report on J. P. Kerrigan's suspension and request for hearing; and it was

VOTED, to hear him on March 16, and that the secretary notify him accordingly.

The superintendent submitted a report onthe boulders required for the bear cages and the flying cage; and it was

VOTED, to suthorize the superintendent to purchase the same in accordance with his recommendation.

The superintendent submitted a report on the bids received for iron cage fronts for temporary animal cages in the carriage sheds, Franklin Park; and it was

VOTED, to accept the bid of Babcock, Sanborn and Davis Company, the lowest bid.

The superintendent submitted a report on the communication from F. M.Rogers, regarding Castle Island Pier and repairing the same; and the matter was referred to the superintendent to interview Mr. Rogers with reference to his plans and see what he will do if he is allowed to land at the pier.

The superintendent submitted a report on the date of completion of the iron work at the bear caged, which was placed on file.

The superintendent submitted a report on Mr. Lee's bill to better define the duties of the school committee and park department regarding playgrounds, also the secretary's report on the same, which were referred to the chairman with instructions to address a letter to the chairman of the committee on cities objecting to the proposed legislation in its present form.

The superintendent submitted a report on the desirability of securing permission to remove certain trees on private property that are injuring the line trees on Commonwealth avenue; and the superintendent was instructed to interview abutters to obtain authority, if possible, to cut down or trim the trees.

The superintendent submitted a report on the condition of Gibson Playground, on the complaint of the Lincoln Club to the mayor; and the chairman was instructed to report on the matter to the mayor.

The superintendent submitted a report on the communication from John D. Long, in regard to water from Neponset Playground brook flooding his property; and the secretary was instructed to reply.

The superintendent submitted a report on the conditions at the Strandway Playground dump; and the matter was referred to the chairman to write to the commissioner of public works in regard to extending the sewer mouth to the face of the dump.

The superintendent submitted a report on the request of Masten & Wells, for a permit to store and display fireworks on Franklin Field, March 18, Evacuation Day; and it was

VOTED, that permission be granted Masten & Wellsto store fireworks on Franklin field, and display them on the evening of March 18, the fireworks to be in the custody of a watchman provided by Masten and Wells during the time they are on the field; in case the weather is not suitable for the display on that day the fireworks are tobe stored in a building provided by the park department, under the custody of the watchman provided by Masten and Wells.

The superintendent submitted the engineer's estimate for grading the Carolina avenue site for a playground; and the chairman submitted his letter to Mr. Warner in reference to acquiring the site, which was approved.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Laskey & McMurrer the sum of fourteen hundred eighty-seven and 50/100 dollars, being for first approximate estinate of work done and material furnished on heating,ventilating etc., of the Aquarium Building, under their contract of July 18, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount,to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

A communication of appreciation from Mrs. E. F. Parker in reference to improved conditions at Randolph-street Playground was received and placed on file.

A communication from City Conveyancer R. P. Owen, in regard to transfer of land at Berners Square, was received; and it was

VOTED, to request the street commissioners to make a taking of the land comprised in the new site of Berners Square as relocated by the transfer of land between the city and the Winsor School Corporation.

VOTED, that the city treasurer be requested to pay to Bridget Mulvey, widow of Thomas H. Mulvey, the amount due him on the payrolls of this department.

VOTED, that the city treasurer be requested to pay to James P. Barrett, brother of Martin P. Barrett, deceased, the amount due him on the payrolls of this department.

VOTED, to approve the order to deduct plate glass from Carroll Construction Company's contract, for which an allowance of $2400.00 is provided in the contract, and to accept the proposal of the Boston Plate and Window Glass Company to furnish the glass for $1738.00.

A communication wasreceived from William A. Leahy, Mayor's Secretary, acknowledging receipt of the chairman's letter of March 1, relating to repairs on the locker building Wood Island Park, the need of additional money for the zoological garden on account of the excess of the lowest bid for the winter bird house over the amount allowed for this contract in the estimates.

The chairman submitted a letter which he suggested be sent to the mayor, requesting the sum of $15,000 to maintain a corps of play leaders in the playgrounds, during the current year; and the chairman was instructed to forward the same to the mayor.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, MARCH 16, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 9.15 A.M. Present Messes Peabody, Cookley and Sullivan. also present Superintendent Pettigrew. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The chairman submitted tentative plans for the extension of the tracks of the Boston Elevated Railway Company through Boylston Road, in the Fens; and the secretary was instructed to ask the law department if the vote of the board opening Boylston Road to traffic affected the railroad question.

The chairman submitted a letter from the mayor's secretary instructing the board to refer the matter of the acquisition of Leighton Park, so-called, to Mr. Kiley, also a letter which he had written to Mr. Kiley in conformity to the mayor's wishes; and the chairman was instructed to send the letter and the papers concerning the matter to Mr. Kiley.

The secretary was instructed to return to J. E. Locatelli Company the check accompanying its proposal for the winter bird house.

The chairman was instructed to write to the mayor in regard to the proposals for the winter birdhouse and the Copp's Hill shelter, requesting an additional appropriation for the latter, and that the appropriation for the Zoological Garden be increased to include the whole cost of the birdhouse.

Mr. Gabriel Farrell submitted a sketch of the boathouse for the float at Charlesbank, which had been approved by Mr. Austin, and asked that, in consideration of his building the house, and of the smaller business now than formerly, his rent be reduced to $100. It was, thereupon,

VOTED, to extend the lease for five years from March 1, 1912, at an annual rental of $100.

A hearing was given to John P. Kerrigan, pilot and engineer, on his request for a hearing on notice of intention to discharge him for inefficiency, Mr. Kerrigan said that he objected to the charge of inefficiency, as other men from the department were running the engine and putting the blame on him. The accident which damaged the boat was caused by putting her on shore in getting a line off the wheel, which caused the boat to tip and allowed the gasoline tank, which was full, to overflow. He said he had run a boat for Mr. Gethro for two years, and before then had run a boat with a gasoline engine for Mr. Romsey, The board took the matter under advisement.

Subsequently, at a conference at the Mayor's office, it was

VOTED, to give a hearing with the mayor on the various playground sites, in the old Aldermanic Chamber, on Friday afternoon, March 22, at 2 o'clock.

The superintendent was instructed to go ahead with the construction of the

park seats, in accordance with the design approved by Mr. Austin.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to The White Company the sum of twenty-three hundred fifty and oo/100 dollars, the same being for their bill of March 8, 1912, for one White gasoline motor car, with cloded body, in accordance with specification of January 30, 1912, and that the Chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Porter and Pearl the sum of three hundred forty-seven and 75/100 dollars, being for fourth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished under their contract approved September 27, 1911, for repairing pier head at Marine Park, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Marine Park, Pier Head, completion of.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. E. Locatelli Company, Inc., the sum of seven hundred thirty-one and 85/100 dollars, being for sixth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary and locker building on Strandway Playground, under its contract approved July 18, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Sanitary and Locker Building, Strandway Playground.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, MARCH 22, 1912

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at City Hall, at 2 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan.

VOTED, to accept the proposal of the J. E. Locatelli Company for erecting a bathhouse at Dewey Beach, Charlestown Heights, the proposals for which were received March 14, as follows:

J. E. Locatelli Company	24,167 00
Louis B. Cadario	24,674 00
John F. Griffin Company	25,693 00
McGahey & O'Conner	27,285 00
Marr Brothers & Stewart Company	27,398 00
John J. Flynn	28,390 00
Conners Brothers Company	28,880 00
C. S. Cunningham & Sons Construction Co.,	29,893 00
Woodbury & Leighton Company	30,470 00

The superintendent's report regarding the purchase of nursery stock by him was approved.

The request of the Hugh Nawn Contracting Company, for permission to occupy the land between Charlesgate West and Charlesgate East, north of Beacon street, in connection with the construction of the Boylston-street subway, also to place temporary office buildings on Charlesgate East adjoining the railroad, and a temporary building in the Fens for the use of the men was considered; and it was

VOTED, to grant the request, the location of the proposed building in the Fens to be approved by the chairman.

VOTED, that the chairman answer General Bancroft regarding location for the Elevated road across the Fens, substantially according to letter presented to the meeting by the chairman.

VOTED, that the board is not satisfied that the design for apartment house front on the Fens is suitable for a frontage on the park, and that the chairman so reply to F. A. Norcross who submitted the plans.

VOTED, that Mr. Shurtleff be asked to have a competent assistant on the site of the bird cage during the building of the stone wall, as much as may be necessary to ensure an artistic and picturesque piece of stone work.

VOTED, that the Dacia-street playground near the John Winthrop School be called the John Winthrop Playground.

A hearing before the mayor and park commissioners was held in the old Aldermanic Chamber at City Hall, beginning at 2 P.M. Persons interested in the selection of playground sites under existing appropriations for this purpose were present and presented their views.

The appropriations discussed and the hour assigned for each district were as follows:

District	Appropriation	Amount	Hour
East Boston	Ward 2 Playground	50,000 00	2.00 P.M.
East Boston	Orient Hts. Playgrd Filling	9,747 30	2.00 PM
Charlestown	Ward 5 Playground	80,000 00	2.30 P.M.
City Proper	Ward 7 Playground	41,831.46	3.00 P.M.
Roxbury	Ward 19 Playground	100,000 00	3.30 P.M.
West Roxbury	Ward23 Playground	25,000 00	4.00 P.M.
Dorchester	Ward 20 Playground	50,000 00	4.30 P.M.
Dorchester	Mattapan Playground	25,000 00	4.30 P.M.
Brighton	Ward 25 Playground	15,000 00	5.00 P.M.

Sundry communications and petitions also were received and placed on file.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secretary

BOSTON, MARCH 30, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was heldin Room 828 Tremont Building, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Peabcdy and Sullivan; also present the superintendent and the engineer of the board. The records of tha last meeting were read andapproved.

The superintendent submitted a report on the mayor's circular requesting information regarding employees who have died, resigned or were removed during the years 1910-1911 and 1911-1912, list of appointments, etc., increases in salaries and list of temporary employeesduring the same periods; and the secretary was instructed to send the same to the mayor.

The superintendent submitted a report on the order of the city council regarding the condition of Randolph-street Playground, which was placed on file.

The superintendent submitted a report on the communication of Contractor Nawn, regarding the location of the shanty he desires to place in the Fens during the construction of the subway, with sketch, and the location and plan were approved.

The superintendent submitted a report on the request of F. M. Rogers for landing privileges at Castle Island and Governor's Island, and it was

VOTED, that the secretary notify Mr. Rogers that the board will grant his application, provided the city council furnishes the money to repair the wharf at Castle Island, and that at Governor's Island he accommodates himself to circumstances.

The superintendent submitted a report on the city council order regarding development of North End Park, and the secretary was instructed to reply.

The superintendent submitted a report on the accident to G. W. H. Timson, timekeeper, stating that he had been allowed pay for lost time, as Mr. Timson was employed on a per annum basis, which was placed on file.

The superintendent submitted a report on the appointment of a matron for the Strandway Playground, and the secretary was instructed to write to the mayor and ask him to have Mrs. Ford take the position to which she has been appointed.

The superintendent submitted a report, recommending the purchase of peacocks, and the superintendent was instructed to purchase four males and two females and to see if he cannot domesticate them in Franklin Park.

Communications from the mayor's secretary regarding the appropriations for the Zoo and Aquarium, Copp's Hill and Castle Island were received and placed on file.

Accident claims of Patrick Sheehan, John Brennan and E.T .Bean were approved.

Bids for summer uniforms were received, as follows:

	Shirt	Coat	Pants	Hats
Union Hat Company	$0.44	$0.70	$0.70	$.90
	.42	.70 Union	.70 Union	1.00 Union
Leopold Morse Co.	.40 Bluebell	.72 Union	.72 Union	.90
Henry B. Spitz	.37½ Everett .37½ Bluebell	.65 Union	.65 Union	.93
Harrington Hat Co.	.41 Union-Amoskeag Everett or Amoskeag	.66 Union	.66 Union	.93 Union
Fuller & Sullivan		.62 Union	.63 Union	

and it was

VOTED, to accept the lowest bid for each class of garment. The superintendent's recommendation that the Union Hat Company's hat be selected was approved.

The secretary reported that the Directors of the Port of Boston have voted to grant a license to build a seawall at MysticPlayground, omitting the wall in the dock.

A vote of the Committee on Claims, recommending settlement of claim of John Murray for broken windows at 51 Marcella street, from boys playing ball on the playground, was received from the mayor, and the secretary was instructed to reply.

An order to Smith & Lovett for changes in the ironwork at the bear dens was approved and signed by the chairman.

On recommendation of the superintendent, it was

VOTED, to reject the bids for the wire covering of the aquatic flying cage, received March 22, as follows:

Oliver Whyte Co.	2970 00	2770 00
W. A. Snow Iron Works	5500 00	4997 00

and to readvertise the work, omitting the painting.

The chairman was instructed to write to the mayor in reference to employing certain men whose duties require it on a weekly basis.

The superintendent reported on the following propcsals for building a wall at Franklin Field, received March 22:

John McCourt & Co.	$1249 00
John F. Griffin Co.	1425 00
Forbes L. McKenzie	1465 00
West Roxbury Trap Rock Co.	2167 00
Carroll Construction Co.	2540 00

and it was
VOTED, to accept the lowest bid.

The chairman was instructed to write to the mayor in reference to employing certain men whose duties require it on a weekly basis.

The chairman reported that he had received letters from Messrs. C.F.Dole

and E. W. Clarke, urging that the Carolina avenue lot be taken for the Ward - 23 playground, and said that he would confer with the mayor.

The chairman reported his action with reference to the application of the Boston Elevated Railway Company to put tracks through Boylston Road in the Fens.

VOTED, to instruct the engineer to make such engineering plan as is necessary to carry out the Shurtleff plan for extending Jersey street across the Fens, and that the superintendent ask Mr. Nawn to place material from the excavation of the new subway there.

A communication was received from the mayor's assistant secretary referring to changes made by the International Union of Steam Engineers, to the effect that there is discrimination against the engineers in the park department; and the secretary was instructed to reply.

VOTED, that the West End Street Railway Company be given leave to construct, maintain and use an alteration of its existing locations; viz., on Blue Hill avenue and Seaver street (so far as the jurisdiction of this board may extend), a relocation of the existing double curved tracks, substantially as shown by red lines on plan of A.L.Plimpton, Civil Engineer, dated March 13, 1912, filed with the petition for this pernit; together with all necessary curves, crossovers, switches and connections: said alterations being in substitution for existing tracks as shown by dotted black lines on the aforesaid plan.

Also, that permission be given said company to establish and maintain the overhead single trolley electric system of motive power in the operation of its cars on said new tracks, and to erect, maintain and use the necessary poles, also wires, appliances and electrical appliances and apparatus and to make the underground and surface alterations of the streets necess ary for that purpose; subject to all the conditions under which the original location was granted November 29, 1898.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Carroll Construction Company the sum of thirty-six hundred ninety-seven and 50/100 dol ars, being for eighth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Aquarium Building, under itscontract approved July 11, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William D. Austin the sum of one hundred dollars, the same being for his bill of March 15, 1912, for professional services in preparing sketches and working drawings of two types of proposed concrete park seats including visits of inspection, and that the chairman

sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the approcriation for Seating Accommodations.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William D. Austin the sum of one hundred fifty and oo/100 dollars for his bill of March 15, 1912, for professional services as consulting architect in preparing sketches, working drawings and full size details of proposed sanitary building in the Fellows-street Playground, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Fellows-street Playground, Sanitary Building.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William D. Austin the sum of six hundred thirty and oo/100 dollars, being for his bill of March 15, 1912, for professional services as consulting architect in preparing sketches, and partial drawings of proposed shelters at Copp's Hill Playground, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Copp's Hill Playground, shelters.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John F. Griffin Company the sum of two thousand six dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on contract for masonry of aquatic flying cage on Franklin Park, approved February 17, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment;said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William D.Austin the sum of eight hundred seventy and 1/100 dollars, being for professional services rendered to date in preparing working plans and specifications and full size details of Dewey Beach Bathhouse, as per his bill of March 26, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Bath House Dewey Beach.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, APRIL 6, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in room 1151 Tremont Building, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan, also present assistant superintenden Shea. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Maynard from F. W. Webb Company came before the board to protest against the plumbing specifications in the Aquarium contract and that for the bathhouse at Dewey Beach, which did not allow his firm to compete. He said that he went up to the architect for Mr. Walsh, the plumber in the Aquarium contract, but without getting any satisfaction. He said, in Metropolitan Park work, Mr. Austin shut out every other competitor but Dalton & Ingersol, The plumbing supply houses have to compete for all the work they get, and competition ought to be open to all. Two concerns are very liable to get together, if competition is limited, but this is not likely if several are allowed to bid on the work. Before the meeting adjourned a communication was received from Mr. Walsh, which was referred to the chairman to confer with Mr. Austin.

VOTED, to request the street commissioners to take the balance of the three lots on Adams street supposed to belong to the Heirs of Charles Emery, Michael O'Mahoney and the Heirs of Hannah T. Bliss, a part of which was included in the area which the board has already requested the street commissioners to take for the playground in Ward 20.

The board considered plans for a stadium in the Fens, as suggested by A. Robeson Sargent, also sketches by Mr. Shurtleff, and a reply to Mr. Sargent, prepared by the chairman, which was approved.

VOTED, that the design of the front of the building for B. W. Marcus, Charles R. Creco, Architect, to be erected on the Fenway lots #15 & #16. be approved, and that the chairman write to the architect approving the same.

VOTED, that the plan submitted by Mr. Kiley, for a building alongside the Forsyth Dental Building, be not approved so far as to the design of the front, and that the chairman notify him accordingly.

The secretary was instructed to notify the commissioner of public works to discontinue the Strandway dump, on account of public complaints against it.

Mr. Shurtleff 's bills and letter in regard to compensation for work on the plans for various improvements in the Fens, including plans for the extension of Jersey street and the Fens' outlet, were approved, the expense to be charged to the appropriation for Fens' Improvements. Bills for services in connection with the Zoo were also approved.

Communication from Herbert A. Wilson, with reference to the city's hiring Dummy Field, was received; and it was

VOTED, to hire the field for, the coming season, on the same terms as last year.

VOTED, that so far as the board is concerned, permission be given to the Hugh Nawn Contracting Company, to move the Collins Memorial so far as may be necessary in constructing the subway

VOTED, toput additional sanitary accommodations in West Third and West Fifth-street playgrounds, so far as the appropriation will allow.

A letter was received from Mr. Austin in regard to the need of deeper concrete foundations for two compressors than were called for in the contract for the Aquarium Building; and it was

VOTED, to approve the extra work at a cost of twenty-three dollars.

Orders of the City Council appropriating $4,100. for repairs on piers, Castle Island, and $1500 for locker building, Wood Island Park, were received; and it was

VOTED, to authorize Mr. Putnam to make plans for the work on the piers, and to confer with Mr. Austin in regard to the expenditure of the appropriation for the locker building.

VOTED, that the West End Street Railway Company be given leave to construct, maintain and use an alteration of its existing locations; viz., on Columbia Road, east of Upham's Corner (so far as the jurisdiction of this board may extend), a relocation of the northerly of the existing double tracks, substantially as shown by red lines on plan of A. L. Plimpton, Civil Engineer, dated March 22, 1912, filed with the petition for this permit, together with all necessary curves, cross-overs, switches andconnections: said alterations being in substitution for existing tracks as shown by dotted black lines on the aforesaid plan.

Also that permission be given said company to establish and maintain the overhead single trolley electric system of motive power in the operation of its cars on said new tracks, and to erect, maintain and use the necessary poles, also wires, appliances and electrical appliances and apparatus and to make the underground and surface alterations of the streets necessary for that purpose; subject to the conditions contained in the vote of this board of April 5, 1910, for the construction of tracks in Columbia Road, at its junction with Geneva avenue.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Laskey & McMurrer thesum of two thousand two hundred ten and oc/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on heating, ventilating, etc., of Aquarium Building, under their contract of July 18, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Austin Ford & Son Company the sum of five hundred forty-one and 80/100 dollars, being for their bill of November 8, 1911, for seventy steps, and that the chairman sign a request

on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment;said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Savin Hill Park Improvements.

Adjourned to April 8, at 4 P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, APRIL 8, 1912

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody & Coakley.

A request of Mrs. C. E. Lincoln for seats and shelters on the Talbot avenue side of Franklin Field, also a communication from the mayor in regard to laying out the field opposite the Dorchester Club with reference to the program of the Municipal Athletic Association, were received and referred to the superintendent for report.

A communication from the mayor's secretary, regarding the objection of Captain Ryan to the taking of his land corner of Linden and Adams streets, Dorchester, for the pkayground site, were received and placed on file.

The inquiries of L. G. Holt and Smith & Lovett, regading the Tyler-street taking, were received and referred to the secretary for reply.

Lists of suggestions offered at town meetings in South Boston, Dorchester and other wards, were received from the mayor and referred to the superintendent for report.

A communication from the public works department regarding the cause and remedy for the discoloration of water in Muddy River, was received and placed on file.

A communication from Col. A.M. Brett, regarding the cost of animals from the Yellowstone National Park, with a memorandum from the superintendent of the number of bears required, were received; and it was

VOTED, to order at once the animals recommended by the superintendent.

On the application of the Boston Athletic Association, to use Commonwealth avenue for the Marathon Race, April 19, as in former years, it was

VOTED, to give the Boston Athletic Associationpermission for the Marathon Race on Patriot's Day, April 19, to go through Commonwealth avenue from the vicinity of Hotel Somerset to the Club House of the Boston Athletic Association on Exeter street, with the understanding that the Athletic Association will guarantee to carry out the same conditions that were required last year in re-

gard to roping off of the avenue between Massachusetts avenue and a point half way between Exeter and Dartmouth streets, and policing the same with seventy-five additional officers; the expense of said roping and policing, together with any damage that may be done to the property of the city to be paid for by the Boston Athletic Asscciation.

A communication from the public works department regarding the capacity of the Boylston Arch Bridge to carry the weight of electric cars, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the superintendent stating that he had made a draft on the civil service for a rodman and a transitman, as there were none available from the public works department, was received; and it was

VOTED, to approve the superintendent's action.

On the application of Philip O'Neil for a hearing on his discharge, it was

VOTED, tohear him on Saturday, April 13, at 9 A.M.

A communication from J. E. McAttee, to the mayor, calling attention to two petitions for a playground on Dunstable street, was received and placed on file.

VOTED, to approve payment to Joseph Batts for time lost on account of accident.

On request of W. H. Partridge to project footings below the ground and place cornices above the ground over the parkway, at Westland Entrance, it was

VOTED, that the board approves the plans submitted by Charles W. Greco for an apartment house to be erected on the Fenway at Westland Entrance for W. H. Partridge, so far as to the projection of the footing courses of the foundations under the park lands and of the cornices and conductors over the same, as shown on said plans, provided that nothing in this approval shall be construed as giving the abutter any title in the land so occupied, and that said projections be removed at any time at the request of the board or the officer or board having for the time being the control of said park.

The superintendent submitted a report on the schedule of athletic events, etc., which the Municipal Athletic Association desires to hold during the coming summer, submitted by Mr. Mero; and the secretary was instructed to reply.

A report on therequest of Joseph Russo for a crosswalk on Columbia Road was received from the superintendent; and it was

VOTED, that the superintendent put in the crosswalk unless the road is to be permanently resurfaced this year.

A recommendation of the superintendent that he prepare rules and regulations for the steamboat service to Castle Island and Governor's Island, as proposed to be established by F. M. Rogers, was approved.

A report on sanitary arrangements at Prince-street Playground was received

from the superintendent; and it was

VOTED, to request the school committee to consent to the use of the Christopher Columbus Schoolhouse sanitaries by the children in the Prince-street Playground.

Memorandum cards from the mayor's office of application for,position of marine engineer also matron for the Overlook were received from the superintendent and placed on file.

A report from the superintendent on the application for cricket grounds at Wood Island Park, by the St. George's Athletic Association was received; and it was

VOTED, to grant pernission to the St. George's Athletic Association to use the cricket grounds at Wood Island Park, under the directionof the superintendent of Parks, other associations to be given equal opportunity.

Reports from the superintendent in reference to stocking the bird and bear cages and procuring cinnamon bears and pelicans were received and referred to the chairman.

A report from the superintendent in reference to the need of a gasoline motor mower was received, and the secretary was instructed to write to the mayor for authority to purchase the same without advertising for bids.

A report from the superintendent in regard to paying for doctor's services in cases of accidents to employees was received and placed on file.

A report from the superintendent in regard to the request of J. H. Holden that the Refectory Library be kept open in the evening was received and placed on file.

On request of Philip O'Neil and P. J. Dolan for a public hearing in reference to their suspension on notice of discharge, a hearing was set for April 13, at 9 A.M., in Room 828 Tremont Building.

The superintendent submitted a report on the matter of Mystic Playground seawall, the lowest bid for which exceeded the appropriation by $4475.00,recommending the acquiring of additional land in the dock and reclaiming the whole dock. The chairman was instructed to report the lowest bid to the mayor, and such further information as the secretary may obtain from the abutting owners, as to any suggestions they have to make.

The secretary was instructed to write to the public works department, requesting that a magnetite arc light be placed in Randolph-street Playground, and any other lighting that would seem to be necessary.

A communication was submitted by Mr. Coakley from Representative W. P. Hickey, in reference to lawn tennis courts at Marine Park; and the secretary was instructed to reply that the board has referred the matter to its superintendent and will give it consideration.

The chairman was authorized to approve the request of the Market department for the transfer of Thomas McDonough to that department

The chairman submitted a letter he had received from the St. Alfonsus Association, transmitting a vote of the association in reference to the site for the proposed playground in Ward 19.

Adjourned to April 13, at 9 A.M.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, APRIL 13, 1912

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Peabody. Coakley and Sullivan; also present Messrs. Shea and Putnam.

A hearing was given on notice of discharge to Philip O'Neil, P.J.Nolan and Bernard Rogan, who were suspended pending a hearing, the first two named having asked for a hearing. Mr. O'Neil was represented by Frederick J. Kneeland and a Mr. Sullivan, who addressed the board in his behalf. Mr. Nolan spoke in his own behalf. The matter was taken under consideration, and, subsequently, the board agreed to give them another chance.

A communication from French & Hubbard, informing the board of their desire to have additional check valves put on return end of overhead coils, over tanks, at the Aquarium Building, at an expense of $12.00; and it was

VOTED, to approve the same as an extra on the contract.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to A. M. Brett, acting superintendent Yellowstone National Park, the sum of three hundred thirty dollars, the same being a deposit of the estimated expenses of the capture, crating, and delivery, at express office, of three grizzly, two brown, and two black bears, in accordance with instructions of the Interior Department, andestimate of the acting superintendent of Yellowstone National Park, and that the chairman sign a request on thecity auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden & Aquarium.

A communication from James H. Sullivan, Division Engineer, Public Works Department, in regard to a proposed widening at thecorner of Seaver street and Walnut avenue, was received and the board took the matter under advisement to be considered after a view of the premises.

The chairman presented a plan submitted by the trustees of the Robert Bent

Brigham Hospital on Parker Hill,which involved cutting down psrt of the embankment of the reservoir, to provide a driveway on the hospital land, and consideration was deferred pending a view of the locality.

A notice of petition of Max M. Kalman for a bay window on building No.240 Maverick street, corner of Cottage street, was received and service accepted.

VOTED, to modify the restrictions on lots 1 and 2 on plan #2 made by William H. Whitney, surveyor, dated October 24, 1891, of Boston Water Power Company's lands on the Fenway belonging to W. H. Partridge, and lots 15 and 16 on said plan belonging to W. B. Marcus, so as to permit of the erection upon said land of apartment houses costing not less than $4000 per story for every 25 feet or less of frontage, and at the same rate for any greater width. Instruments prepared by the law department to modify the restrictions as above were signed by the board.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, APRIL 17, 1912

A special meeting of the Board of Park commissioners was held at Mr. Coakley's office, Room 1109 Pemberton Building, at 4.45 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan.

A communication was received from the commissioner of public works in reference to discontinuing dumping city refuse at the Strandway dump, and requesting a further continuance of the dump until July 1, 1912; and it was

VOTED, to allow the dump to be kept open until July 1, no renewal of the dump to be allowed after that date; and on condition that the commissioner of public works keeps a man in charge to see that no swill is deposited and otherwise to regulate the dump.

A communication from Messrs. Wheelwright, Haven and Holt, inreference to the plan of alterations of the building at No. 2 Commonwealth avenue, for the Engineers' Club, was received and the secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Holt, and ask him or his attorney to take up the matter with the corporation counsel.

Mr. Mowbray came to confer with the board as to when he was expected to begin his duties;and it was

VOTED, to ask Mr. Mowbray to report for duty on May 1, and to make rec-

ommendations in reference to the number and kinds of fish for the Aquarium, also to arrange with Mr. Grant for a shipment of tropical fish.

A communication was received from W.P.Warner, agreeing to accept $25,000 damages in case of the taking by the street commissioners of the two lots of land on Carolina avenue, which he had previously offered to the city for a playground, which was placed on file.

VOTED, to rescind the vote of this board of December 20, 1911, requesting the street commissioners to take land on Dunstable street for a playground in Ward 5.

VOTED, to request the street commissioners to take for a playground in Ward 5 the parcels of land on Rutherford avenue, Union and Washington streets, as shown on a plan of the same, entitled Study No. 1 Modification B. dated November 1911.

VOTED, to request the street commissioners to take for a playground in Ward 23, the parcel of land on Carolina avenue, containing about 130,680 square feet, as shown on a plan of the same, entitled Study No. 2, dated December 1911.

VOTED, to request the street commissioners to take for a playground in Ward 24 the parcel of land on Norfolk street, containing about 253,473 square feet, as shown on a plan of the same, entitled Study No. 4, dated March 21,1912.

A communication was sent to the mayor in reference to the above takings and other playground matters.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to McKinney Brothers & Company the sum of six hundred sixty dollars, being for his bill of February 8, 1912, for two horses, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appro - priation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William L. Morrison Company the sum of sixteen hundred ninety-seven and 87/100 dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on concrete floors in bear cages in Franklin Park, under its contract approved September 27, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

The chairman was instructed to ask the mayor to approve the appointment of a transitman, at $1000 per annum.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, APRIL 24, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 1151 Tremont Building, st 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan, also present Assistant Superintendent Shea and Mr. Benson. The records of the last meeting and of special meeting of April 17 were read and approved.

A communication from W.H.Reynolds to Mayor Fitzgerald, regarding an unprotected portion of the sea wall of the Charles River Basin at Charlesgate, was received and referred to assistant superintendent Shea for report.

A communication was received from Secretary Leahy, stating that the mayor is favorably inclined towards the suggestion that the park board have the use of a room in the Parkman House for meetings, and will ask Mr Corbett to advise him as to the legal means by which this may be brought about.

An order of the city council appropriating $130,000 from the Parkman Fund to the Zoological Garden and Aquarium was received, and the chairman was instructed to confer with Mr. Austin in regard to letting the contract for the bird house.

A communication was received from Secretary Leahy, transmitting a protest from John S.McLean against taking Camp Meigs Park as a baseball ground.

The engineer's report on bids received May 12, for wire covering for the aquatic flying cage, was received, the bids being as follows:

Cliver Whyte Company	Section 5 - 1800 00	Section 6 - 1600 00
W. A. Snow Iron Works	" " 3500 00	" " 3000 00

and it was

VOTED, to accept the bid of the Oliver Whyte Company of $1800 00.

A communication was received from W. B. French, requesting a modification of the restrictions on the Hancock Estate near the intersection of Huntington avenue and the Riverway: and the chairman was instructed to reply.

The application of S. I. Hudgens for burro privileges at Marine Park was received; and it was

VOTED, to permit S. I. Hudgens to keep burros for hire at Marine Park, for this season, provided the length of ride and the burros and their equipment are satisfactory to the superintendent of parks.

The Edison Electric Illuminating Company submitted a plan for three arc lights at Randolph-street Playground; and it was

VOTED, to approve the plan and to authorize them to erect the lamps and make the underground connections.

A communication was received from the Automobile Legal Association, suggesting signs to direct automobilists on their way through the park system from Boston to Dedham, orcoming from New York or Providence; and the secretary was instructed to ask the association to designate the points where signs are most necessary

A report on Councillor J. J. Attridge's request regarding equipment of Randolph-street Playground was submitted by Mr. Shea; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the superintendent to carry out the suggestions so far as possible. The secretary was instructed to send a copy of the report to Mr. Attridge.

A report on the request of Edgar L. Raub, regarding the equipment of the Strandway Playground, was submitted by Mr. Shea; and the secretary was instructed to reply.

A list of playground keepers andwatchmen who require authority to act as special police officers was approved, and their applications were sent to the mayor for approval.

A report on the application of Thomas H. Higgins for Wood Island Park boat privilege was submitted by Mr. Shea; and it was

VOTED, that Thomas H. Higgins be permitted to place a float at Wood Island Park, and to rent rowboats therefrom, this season, as he has done the past two years.

The board conferred with Mr. Benson and instructed him to telegraph to dealers to get offers of animals. Mr. Benson was also authorized to take any animals donated to the Zoo, provided they are valuable and he has a place for them.

A request of the Church Home for Orphans at South Boston for plants etc., was received andreferred to the chairman for reply.

Mr. Timility, president of the Central Construction Company, came before the board in reference to its request for the price at which his company will deposit additional filling atOrient Heights Playground beyond the amount required under the present contract. Mr. Timility said he would not agree to do any further filling for less than 61 cents per yard. The secretary was instructed to ask the Howe Contracting Company, the next lowest bidder, if it will put in 5000 cubic yards at its bid of 58 cents.

The board considered designs submitted by F. A. Norcross and G. A. Holzman of elevations towards the Fenway of proposed buildings to be erected by their clients, and instructed the chairman to notify them that the board is not willing to suspend the restrictions as to the cost of apartments, etc., unless a more satisfactory design is presented.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, APRIL 29, 1912

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 4.15 P.M. Present Messrs. Coakley and Sullivan, Mr. Peabody being absent from the city. Also present Assistant Superintendent Shea.

Mr. Shea submitted a statement of the number of men who are paid a weekly salary, also a list of men whose duties in summer require them to work Saturday P.M. and Sunday, and who should be paid a weekly salary, which was laid over.

The secretary submitted the pension application of John Myers, who claimed to have worked in the sewer department prior to 1887, and a statement from the chief clerk of that office stating that they had norecord of his employment, which was placed on file.

An application from A. E. Najjar for a refreshment stand in the Aquarium Building or on the park land at Marine Park was received, together with a report from Assistant Superintendent Shea; and it was

VOTED, to decline the request.

A communication was received from William D. Austin, approved in writing by the chairman, recommending the acceptance of the bid of the Carroll Construction Company for the winter bird house, of $105,000, with deductions of $3152 and $1240, as specified in items 5 and 6 of its proposal, also to omit allowances numbered 1, 2, and 3, viz; allowance for carving in specifications - $1300; allowance for copper roofing of two entrance porches, $1700; allowance for painters work in two entrance porches, $950; making total deductions of $8,314.00; and it was

VOTED, to award the contract to the Carroll Construction Company.

The bids for this work, received February 16, 1912, were as follows:

WINTER BIRD HOUSE AT FRANKLIN PARK

	Scheme A. Items as Follows,						
	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7
Carroll Construction Co.	$105000	$2650	$840	$350	$3152	$1240	$3.00
Conners Brothers Co.	105500	770	820	220	1000	830	2.50
J. E. Locatelli Co.	116692	3500	1010	300	1226	487	3.00
John F. Griffin Co.	120848	1136	960	385	876	437	2.00
Richard Gibson	136427	1300	1000	851	1200	480	3.10

	Scheme B. Items as follows.					
	#8	#9	#10	#11	#12	#13
Carroll Construction Co	89500	2262	460	170.	2127	1047
Conners Brothers Co	88250	500	530	160	600	100
J. E. Locatelli Co.	95051	3000	800	150	277	176
John F. Griffin Co.	97282	644	820	220	225	460
Richard Gibson	-----	----	---	---	---	---

Sundry papers regarding the status of the Hyde Park playgrounds, submitted by Mr. Sullivan with Mr. Corbett's opinion corroborating Mr. Babson's views on the control of the Hyde Park playgrounds by the public grounds department, were received and placed on file.

A communication from the Edison Electric Illuminating Company, in regard to the kind of lamppost to be set up in Randolph-street Playground. was received and placed on file.

A communication from the civil service commission regarding the provisional appointment of Thomas A. Callahan, as custodian of Charlesbank building and gymnasium grounds, was received with the certification of three names from theeligible list which has been established for this service, and Thomas A. Callahan was appointed to said position, his name standing highest on the list.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Carroll Construction Company the sum of forty-two hundred seven and 50/100 dollars, being for ninth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Aquarium Building, under its contract approved July 11, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriationfor Zoological Garden & Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid T. D. Downing & Company the sum of one hundred and 87/100 dollars, the same being in settlement of their bill of April 6 for freight, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment;said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Pitshenry-Guptill Company the sum of thirty-nine hundred forty and 00/100 dollars, being for his bill of April 9 for four spraying outfits, as per contract approved January 24, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to theappropriation for Four Spraying Machines.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Barbier & Company the sum of four hundred eighty-eight and 70/100 dollars, the same being for their bill of March 15, for nursery stock, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

Wm. F. Kelcher
Secretary

BOSTON, MAY 4, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 1151 Tremont Building at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. P-abody, Coakley and Sullivan, also present the assistant superintendent and the engineer of the board and Mr. Mowbray.

Mr. Mowbray stated that he would require some transporting tanks for fish made of galvanized iron; and Mr. Mowbray was instructed to see where he can procure them.

Mr. Mowbray suggested that it would be advisable to lay a pipe from the Aquarium Building to the Bay, to facilitate filling the cistern with salt water; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the superintendent to put in a pipe for said purpose.

Mr. Mowbray recommended that piping forfresh and salt water be provided in thelaboratory, also that salt water pipes be provided over the fresh water tanks in the Aquarium Building. The recommendation was approved, and Mr. Mowbray was instructed to call the matters to the attention of Mr. Austin and have the pipes installed as an extra under the contract.

Mr. Mowbray stated that his assistants in the Aquarium, who should have special qualifications for the positions, should be selected without delay; and it was

VOTED, to authorize Assistant Superintendent Shea to call on the civil service commission to seeif the board may make appointments outside of the civil service to fill these positions, also to fill similar positions in the Zoological Garden under Mr. Benson.

Mr. Mowbray's request for assistants, viz: a foreman, two tankmen, two filtermen and a feeder, also three engineers, and Mr. Benson's request for assistants, viz; one foreman for birds, one keeper for bears, one keeper relief, and assistant, also two watchmen were referred to the superintendent.

The chairman showed a design presented by F. A. Norcross, for an elevation towards the Fenway for a building north of the Forsyth Institute; and the chairman was instructed to notify Mr. Norcross that the board will not suspend the restrictions unless a more satisfactory design is presented

A communication from the mayor, in reference to the transfer of the Parker Hill Reservoir, from the public works department to the park department, was received and placed on file.

Mr. Shurtleff's letter and plan for a swimming tank at the Parker Hill Reservoir was referred to Mr. Putnam for reporton its feasibility and cost.

The plan for widening Seaverstreet at the corner of Walnut avenue was referred to Mr. Shurtleff to consider and report a new plan for the widening.

The chairman reported,that, in obedience to the mayor's summons, he went to a proposed conference with the Municipal Athletic Association, at the City

Hall, on the stadium matter, at which meeting, the mayor not being present, he stated what in general had already been communicated to the mayor, and that if erected the stadium should not rise more than four feet above the street level of the Fens; that, personally he believed the place was not suitable for a stadium except geographically and would better be located elsewhere.

Mr, Shurtleff's plan for athletic grounds in front of the clubhouse on Talbot avenue was approved to be sent to the mayor with anestinate from Mr. Putnam.

VOTED, to construct the handball court at Randolph-street Playground as recommended by the assistant superintendentin his report of May 4, at an extimated expense of $295.00.

VOTED, to make requisition on the civil service for two additional carpenters and twenty-five laborers.

A list of names proposed for weekly salary, reported by Mr. Shea at the meeting of April 29, was referred to the chairman to request the mayor to authorize the putting of the men on a weekly salary equal to seven days' pay.

The chairman stated that he had written to the mayor in regard to suggested play and recreation grounds in Hyde Park.

Mr. Shea's report on the use of a black mare belonging to the park department by the foreman of carpenters was approved.

A communication from Messrs. Wheelwright,Haven and Holt, regarding alterations to the building at #2 Commonwealth avenue, for the engineers' club, also an opinion from the corporation counsel were received; and it was

VOTED, that the chairman be authorized to approve the plan as a matter of design, not intending to approve the plan except as to appearances only.

A request for plans or photographs, showing improvements, for the conference on Town Planning Exhibit at the Public Library, May 15, was considered and the secretary was instructed to ask Mr. Shurtleff and Mr. Austin to cooperate in making an exhibit.

Notice of the appointment of Daniel H. Coakley for term ending April 30, 1915 was received and placed on file.

On the application of the Boston Work-Horse Parade Association, for permission to use Commonwealth avenue for its Memorial Day parade, it was

VOTED, to permit the Boston Work-Horse Parade Association to use Commonwealth avenue from,the junction of Beacon street to St. Paul street, for the formation of its parade, and the south side of the avenue from a point near the junction with Beacon street to Massachusetts avenue, for its parade,on Memorial Day, between 7.30 A.M. and 3 P.M.; also to construct a grandstand on

Commonwealth avenue and to place standards along side the curbing: said stand to be removed as soon as may be after the parade, and the grounds cleared up and left in a condition satisfactory to the superintendent of parks: the arrangement of the parade to be carried out under the direction of the police.

VOTED, that the city treasurer be requested to pay to Margaret M. Keenan, widow of Daniel Keenan, the amount due him on the payrolls of this department.

VOTED, that the city treasurer be requested to pay to Mary Cronan, widow of James Cronan, the amount due him on the pay rolls of this department.

VOTED, that the city treasurer be requested to pay to Bridget M. Gleason, widow of Patrick J. Gleason, the amount due him on the payrolls of this department.

VOTED, that there be allowedand paid to John F. Griffin Company the sum of fifty-one hundred thirty-four and oo/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on contract for masonry of aquatic flying cage on Franklin Park, approved February 17, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to West Roxbury Trap Rock Company the sum of fourteen hundred forty-five and oo/100 dollars, being for first a proximate estimate of work done and material furnished on contract for walls and stairways on Franklin Park, approved January 15, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

The applications of the following named laborers entitled to pensions were approved, and the secretary was instructed to send them to the retirement board: Thomas Ahern, John Cahill, Edward Henneberry, William McGowan.

The proposal of the Charles J. Jager Company for installing a pumping plant in the Fens for $1980 was accepted.

Mr. Shea submitted a report recommending sundry salary increases; and it was VOTED, subject to the approval of the mayor, to increase the pay of the following employees to the amounts set against their names, to date from May 1, 1912: and that the secretary transmit the same to the mayor as separate votes:

Charles E. Putnam,	Engineer	from	$2500	to	$3000	pr	annum
Arthur E. Ogden,	Clerk	"	1200	"	1500	"	"
Emma W. Bumstead	Clerk & Stenographer	"	900	"	1020	"	"
Bessie I. Towne	" "	"	785	"	900	"	"
James L. Carroll	Stenographer & Clerk	"	50	mo	750	"	"
Charles A. Hogan	Timekeeper & Clerk	"	2.50	"	3.00	"	day
George W. H. Timson	" "	"	2.50	"	3.00	"	"

A request of the mayor's assistant secretary that the list of salary increases voted by the board November 14 be made out on separate slips, with addresses, to date from May 1, was received; and it was

VOTED, subject to the approval of the mayor, to increase the pay of the following employees to the amounts set against their names, to date from May 1, 1912, and that the secretary transmit the same to the mayor as separate votes with their addresses, in accordance with his request.

William Knight	Blacksmith	from	3.00	to	3.50	per day
Bartholomew M. Ryan	"	"	3.00	"	3.50	" "
John McGreil	"	"	2.75	"	3.25	" "
Michael Bailey	Carpenter	"	3.00	"	3.50	" "
Joseph Batts	"	"	3.00	"	3.50	" "
John J. McDonnell	"	"	3.00	"	3.50	" "
John F. Carlin	Plumber	"	3.00	"	3.25	" "
Daniel J. Hurley	Plumber	"	3.00	"	3.25	" "
Joseph Klaus	"	"	3.00	"	3.25	" "
Frank J. Chinetti	Mason	"	3.00	"	3.50	" "
John E. Johnson	"	"	3.00	"	3.50	" "
Patrick O'Rourke 2nd	"	"	3.00	"	3.50	" "
John Monahan	Engine Repairer	"	3.00	"	3.50	" "
John T. Nee	" "	"	3.00	"	3.25	" "
Bernard J. Conley	Machinist	"	3.00	"	4.00	" "
Robert Hindle	" & S.F.Eng'r	"	3.00	"	3.50	" "
Daniel Flynn	Gasoline Eng.Operator	"	2.50	"	3.00	" "
Henry A. Mahon	Steamroller Eng'r	"	3.00	"	3.50	" "
Edward J. Moriarty	" "	"	3.00	"	3.50	" "
Michael McNulty	Sub-foreman	"	3.25	"	3.50	" "
Julius Weidner	" "	"	3.25	"	3.50	" "
Bernard T. McNulty	" "	"	3.00	"	3.50	" "
William H. Smith	Steamroller Eng'r	"	3.00	"	3.50	" "
William Scanlon	Harness Maker	"	3.00	"	3.25	" "
Henry G. Farrington	Painter	"	2.50	"	2.75	" "
Malachi Kenney	Ironworker	"	3.00	"	3.25	" "
Martin Feeley	Pipefitter	"	3.00	"	3.25	" "
Peter Barker	Gardener	"	3.00	"	3.25	" "
Alexander J. Colvin	"	"	3.00	"	3.25	" "
John T. Conboy	"	"	3.00	"	3.25	" "
Kenneth Finlaysen	"	"	3.00	"	3.25	" "
William E. Fischer	"	"	3.00	"	3.50	" "
Peter McManus	"	"	3.00	"	3.25	" "
Charles Walters	"	"	3.00	"	3.25	" "
Robert Coulsey	"	"	2.75	"	3.25	" "
Thomas J. Murphy	"	"	2.50	"	2.75	" "
Edward T. Bean	"	"	2.50	"	2.75	" "
Martin Lyons	Tree Pruner	"	2.50	"	2.75	" "
John Travers	Gardener"	"	2.50	"	2.75	" "
Anton Volk	Tree Pruner	"	2.50	"	2.75	" "
Joseph P. Howe	Gardener & Greenkpr	"	2.50	"	2.75	" "
John J. Regan	Chauffeur	"	2.50	"	3.00	" "
John T. Maguire	"	"	2.25	"	3.00	" "
William J. Donely	"	"	15.37	wk.	3.00	" "
Louis L. Chenette	"	"	2.25		2.50	" "
John J. Tatten Jr.	Laborer & Fireman	"	2.50		3.00	" "
Michael C'Brien	Park Keeper	"	2.75		3.00	" "
Michael O'Neill	" "	"	2.50		3.00	" "
Moses A. Coulter	In chg of stable &Yard	"	2.25		2.75	" "
Terrence M. Griffin	In chg M-st.Gymnasium	"	2.75		3.00	" "
Patrick Cain	In chg.Wm.Eustis Playgrd		2.25		2.50	" "
George T. Cunning	Asst.In Chg.Wood Is.		2.25		2.50	" "
Patrick Glennon 2nd	In chg.Col-ave Playgrd		2.25		2.50	" "
John F McKernan	In chg.Chsn Playgrd		2.25		3.00	" "

Adjourned to May 6, at 4.30 P.M.

Geo. F. Welch
Secretary

BOSTON, MAY 6, 1912

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 4.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan. Also present assistant superintendent Shea.

The Board organized by electing a chairman and a secretary for the ensuing year. The question on the election of a chairman being put by the secretary, Mr. Coakley voted for Mr. Peabody, Mr. Sullivan voted for Mr. Peabody.

The question on the election of a secretary being put Messrs. Peabody, Coakley andSullivan voted for George F. Clarke.

VOTED, that the chairman be authorized to approve drafts and bills, and to sign contracts on behalf of the board.

VOTED, that Mr. Coakley be chairman pro tem. and be authorized to approve drafts and bills in the absence of the chairman.

VOTED, that in the absence of the chairman and the chairman pro tem, Mr. Sullivan act as chairman pro tem. and be authorized to approve drafts and bills.

A communication was received from the mayor's secretary, in regard to certain open spaces in Hyde Park which might be used for park and playground purposes, which was placed on file.

The chairman was instructed to send a communication to the mayor, stating what the board was willing to do with reference to the employment of playleaders, as agreed upon after conference with the mayor at his office, previous to the meeting attended by Messrs. Peabody and Coakley.

VOTED, to request the superintendent of public buildings to lease suitable quarters in the Dorchester Club Building, for central offices for the director of playleaders and the assistant playleaders of the park department.

The proposal of W. A. Murtfeldt Company, for laying rock asphalt floors in the playground buildings at West Fifthstreet and West Third street playgrounds, and the boat landing, for the sum of $116, was accepted.

VOTED, to appoint Julia Riley, matron at West Fifth-street Playground.

Mr. Shea was instructed to appoint a matron for the West Third-street playground.

VOTED, that the chairman request the mayor to authorize the purchase of two steam rollers without advertising for bids.

VOTED, to purchase a Ford runabout for the use of the department.

VOTED, that the superintendent dispose of a dangerous horse now at the Franklin Park stable.

VOTED, that there beallowed and paid to Porter and pearl the sum of one hundred dollars, being for fifth and final estimate of work done and material furnished under their contract approved September 27, 1911, forrepairing pier head at Marine Park, and that the chairman sign a special draft in favor of

said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Marine Park Pier Head, completion of.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Central Construction Company, the sum of eighteen hundred forty-one and 10/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on contract for filling on Orient Heights Playground, approved March 1, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Orient Heights.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William D. Austin, the sum of twenty-four hundred seventy-nine and 69/100 dollars, being for professional services in preparing sketches, working drawings and specifications for the proposed winter house for birds at Franklin Park, as per his bill of April 30, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

Geo. F. Peabody
Secretary

BOSTON, MAY 11, 1912

A meeting of the board of park commissioners was held in Room 1151 Tremont Building, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan; also present the assistant superintendent and the engineer of the board. The records of the last meeting, also of the meeting of April 24 and special meeting of April 29 were read and approved.

A communication from City Conveyancer R. P. Owen, in reference to the Goodwin property proposed to be taken for a playground in Ward 23, was received and placed on file.

A communication from Police Commissioner O'Meara, stating that he would make the appointment of Mr. Gregory as a special police officer at Castle Island, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the T. J. Flynn Sons Company, stating that they had made satisfactory arrangements with the Carroll Consturction Company and withdraw their notice of August 23, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the Rowe Contracting Company, stating that they are not

not in a position at present to furnish material for Orient Heights Playground, was received and placed on file.

A communication from T. D. Apollonio, Secretary of the School Committee, stating that it is inexpedient to allow the use of the sanitaries in the Christopher Columbus Schoolhouse, and suggesting the construction of sanitaries in connection with the bathhouse, was received and placed on file.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Laskey & McMurrer the sum of twenty-one hundred twenty-five and oo/100 dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on heating, ventilating, etc. of Aquarium Building, under their contract of July 18, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draftin favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. E. Locatelli Company, the sum of eighteenhundred eighty-one and 5/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and materialfurnished on bathhouse, Dewey Beach, under their contract dated April 2, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment;said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Bathhouse, Dewey Beach.

A communication was received from M. E. Fritz, Proprietor of Hotel Carlton, expressingappreciation of the efforts of the board to alleviate the advertising sign nuisance.

Mr. Putnam submitted thefollowing proposals:

Cinder Track at Franklin Field

		Loam Excavation	Cinder Track
James Driscoll & Son Co.	(Abt. $2596 00)	45 ¢ per cu.yd.	$1.45 per lin ft.
J. C. Coleman & Sons	" 2967 00	53 ¢ " " "	1.64 " " "
C. Murphy & Son	" 2957 00	50 ¢ " " "	1.65 " " "

and it was
VOTED, that the chairman request authority from the mayor to make a contract with James Driscoll & Son Company.

Excavating Channel in the Fens

James Driscoll & Son Co.	(Abt. $600 00)	$0.75 per cu.yd.
John J. Lane	" 800 00	1.00 " "
J. C. Coleman & Sons	" 800 00	1.00 " "

and it was
VOTED, to accept the proposal of James Driscoll and Son Company

Repairs on Scow at Public Landing
Marine Park

Richard F. Keough	$490 00
The Lockwood Mfg. Co.	481 00

and it was
VOTED, to accept the bid of Richard F. Keough.

Excavating Water Pipe Trench
Franklin Park

C. Murphy & Son	(Abt.$220 00)	$0.75 per lin.ft.
John J. Lane	150 00	.50 " " "

and it was

VOTED, to accept the proposal of John J. Lane.

Guard Fence at Aquatic Flying Cage
Franklin park

H. P. Converse & Company	$2755 00
Shawmut Iron & Wire Works	2857 00
D. S. Schneider	2895 00

Sanitary Building, Fellows-street Playground

Louis B. Cadario	$4185 00
Marr Brothers & Stewart Co.	4262 00
John F. Griffin Co.	4354 00
Hapgood, Frost Co.	4789 00
Forbes L. McKenzie	4845 00
John J. Flynn	5167 00
J. P. Foley	5960 00

Electric Wiring Prince-street Playground

James Wilkinson Co.	$382 00
W. B Foster Electric Co.	390 00
Deane & Lobdell	392 00
Columbia Electric Engineering Co.	396 00
Edwin C. Lewis	472 00
*Seth W. Fuller Co.	477 00
Irving L. Watson	485 00
*John J. Roberts Co.	494 00
John B. Bowker	546 00

*No check

and it was

VOTED, to accept the lowest bids.

The secretary stated that Mr. Borden offers to furnish sand for bathing beaches at Marine Park and Savin Hill where it is wanted and spread for 75 ¢ a yard; and the secretary was instructed to get a price for delivering the sand without spreading it.

The report of assistant superintendent Shea, on request of Miss White that a place be provided at Charlesbank for the "Juvenile Stars" to play baseball, was received and referred to the chairman for reply.

A proposal from the Buffalo Steam Roller Company for two tandem rollers was received; and the chairman was authorized to request the mayor's authority to contract for the same without advertising for bids.

On recommendation of the assistant superintendent, it was

VOTED, to make a requisition on the civil service for three men for positions as custodians for the Charlestown, Columbus-avenue and Strandway playgrounds.

The chairman reported that James E. Fitzgerald, 39 Court street, asked for a copy of the first letter written by the board to the mayor, about three months ago, in regard to the water front park in Ward 2. The chairman inquired of Mr. Fitzgerald the reason for the request, as the board had decided on another playground and had asked to have the land taken. Mr. Fitzgerald replied that he

desired a copy of the letter, and that if the board did not wish to give it te him, he would obtain it in some other way; that the matter of the water front park was not a back number by any means.

VOTED, that the secretary notify the street commissioners to take for a playground in Ward 7 the parcel of land shown on the plan received from John C. Kiley, April 24, as marked for a playground, in place of the lots numbered 132 to 146 Tyler street, which the board requested the street commissioners to take by its vote of December 20, 1911.

Mr. Austin's recommendation for a change in toilets at the Aquarium Building was approved.

The chairman stated that the Brigham Hospital Trustees offered to grade and fence the embankment of the reservoir on Parker Hill adjoining their property, which was approved, the chairman to obtain the offer in writing.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, MAY 16, 1912

A meeting of the board of park commissioners was held in Room 1151 Tremont Building, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Coakley. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A communication from Horace Packard, suggesting a remodelling of Commonwealth avenue, so that the west-bound traffic between Charlesgate West and the "Three Roads" may be diverted to the north driveway, was receivedand referred to the chairman for reply.

A communication was received from the directors of the Jamaica Plain Neighborhood House on Carolina avenue, requesting permission to be allowed to continue supervising the playground this summer, also to occupy the present house until February 1, 1913, or later, while plans are being made for other quarters, and the chairman was instructed to reply.

A communication was received from the American Association of Park Superintendents, calling attention to the next annual meeting to be held in Boston, August 12-14, and asking for cooperation and a good representation at this meeting, which was placed on file.

A communication was received from the mayor, asking the board to be represented on the local committee and to assist the National Conference on City

Planning, to be held in Boston May 27-29; and it was

VOTED, that the chairman be asked to confer with Mr. Flavel Shurtleff, Secretary of the National Conference on City Planning, and learn what the park department can offer in the way of courtesy to the conference at its meeting May 27, and in case a drive through the parks is organized that the rules forbidding motors in Franklin Park and Arnold Arboretum be suspended for this drive. Later in the morning the mayor gave his approval to this.

An order of the city council transferring $7250 from Playgrounds Improvements, to Sullivan Square Playground $900.00, Wood Island Park Locker Building, $500.00, and Marine Park and Strandway Improvements, $5850.00, was received and placed on file.

A proposition was received from the Central Construction, Company tofurnish filling over and above the original contract of 10,000 cubic yards at Orient Heights Playground, for 61 ¢ per cubic yard; and it was

VOTED, to ask the mayor for authority to make a contract at said price for 3000 cubic yards, without advertising for bids.

A communication from the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company submitting plans for overhead telephone service at Columbus-avenue playground was received; and it was

VOTED, to request the company to install a pay station as proposed on a no guarantee basis.

On Mr. Shea's report it was

VOTED, to authorize the sale of the old Grout steam automobile.

Anorder of the city council directing the removal of the flagpole in Andrew Square to the Strandway, the expense to be charged to the city council incidental expenses, was received and placed on file.

On the application of James J. Diviney for a carriage or automobile stand at the southwest corner of Massachusetts and Commonwealth avenues, it was

VOTED, that James J. Diviney be permitted, until further notice, to stand a carriage or automobile on the southwest corner of Massachusetts and Commonwealth avenues.

On the request of the bath department, it was

VOTED, to grant the bath department control of the beaches at North End Park, Wood Island Park, Columbia Road and Charlestown Heights, also to place two floating bathhouses at Charlesbank, under the same conditions as heretofore.

An application from Lewis P. Lindsay for a position as assistant in playground work was received and referred to the chairman.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John A. Rooney the sum of

twenty-six hundred eighty-nine and 40/100 dollars, being for fourth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on walls and bear dens, Franklin park, under his contract, approved June 26, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be chargedto the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John F. Griffin Company the sum of one hundred sixty-three and 80/100 dollars, being for second and final approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on gateways on Columbus avenue Playground, under its contract approved October 24, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Columbus-avenue Playground, Grading and Gateways.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Holmes Building Company the sum of two hundred ninety-five and oo/100 dollars, being for their bill of May 11, 1912, for constructing floor, etc. in building at Randolph-street Playground, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a specialdraft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William L. Morrison Company the sum of five hundred twenty-nine and 34/100 dollars, being for fourth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on concrete floors in bear cages, Franklin Park, under itscontract approved September 27, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

A notice from the Samuel B. Dana Estate to terminate the license for surface drainage on Billings Field and deed of the trustees granting a new license for said purpose were received, and the secretary was instructed to acknowledge the same.

On a report from the assistant superintendent on the matter, it was

VOTED, that the board purchase four or five scow loads of sand, on the prices lately presented to the board by Mr. Clarke, the sand to be spread on the Marine Park beaches by the department force.

An estimate from Mr. Austin of the cost of the proposed change of location of the public toilet rooms in the Aquarium was received; and it was

VOTED, that in view of the cost of changing the position of the toilet rooms in the Aquarium the work proceed according to the contract drawings.

As it is understood that the many settlements connected with the Boston

Social Union (perhaps fifteen or twenty) are interested in the patriotic pageant to be given May 30, and that four or five hundred school children from these settlements take part, and that there will be two thousand or more spectators, it was

VOTED, that permission be given the union to hold the pageant at such suitable place as may be agreed upon with the assistant superintendent, and that such conveniences for dressing be afforded in the Overlook Building or elsewhere as may not be inconsistent withthe convenience of others.

VOTED, that the assistant superintendent confer with the union.

VOTED, to grant the St. Columkill Church permission to hold a field day at North Brighton Playground, June22, under the direction of the assistant superintendent of parks.

VOTED, to ask Mr. Shurtleff to lay out a camp site on Governor's Island.

A communication from Royal Robbins suggesting that more policing be given the parkway in the vicinity of Carlton street, Longwood, was received and referred to Mr. Shea for report.

Mr. Shea submitted an additional report on the city council order requesting an estimate of the cost of openair gymnasium, resurfacing and putting in shape the grounds, apparatus, etc., for Commonwealth Park, which was referred to the chairman to reply to the mayor.

Mr. Shea submitted a report on the request of Secretary Leahy, for the mayor, as to when the apparatus will be installed in the Washington-street Playground, which was referred to the chairman to reply to the mayor.

VOTED, that the offer of the trustees of the P. B. Brigham Hospital, in letter of May 13, 1912, with accompanying plan, be hereby accepted andthat the assistant superintendent be asked to assist in carrying out the work.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secretary.

BOSTON, MAY 28, 1912

A special meeting of the board of park commissioners was held at the chairman's office, 53 State street, at 4.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan.

The chairman stated that he had communicated to Mr. Pettigrew the views of the board with regard to his absence on account of illness, which had been con-

curred in by his honor the mayor; and it was

VOTED, to allow Mr. Pettigrew leave of absence without loss of pay as stated in the chairman's letter to him.

Executive circular, No. 35, directing that employees who are members of the United Spanish War Veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic be allowed the holiday on Memorial Day, May 30,1912, was received and placed on file.

A communication was received from the street commissioners, in reference to the progress that is being made in the various takings for playgrounds requested by this board, and the procedure with reference to settlements for thelands taken; and the chairman was instructed to notify the owners ofland taken of the action of the board and invite them to a discussion ofthe amount of an award to be made by the street commissioners, with the view to avoid the delay and expense of a law suit.

A request from the mayor for a briefsummary of the activities of the department, from February 6, 1910, was received and the secretary was instructed to forward to him the annual report which has been prepared covering the last fiscal year, and the previous report.

Mr. Putnam's order to J. E. Locatelli Company to make changes in the contract for the Strandway Locker Building, under date of May 15, 1912, was approved.

A communication from James F. Ryan in regard to land owned by him at the corner of Adams street and Homes avenue, which he did not wish taken for the Mt. Ida Playground, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

A request of John A. Pearson for permission to have a picnic for the Sunday School of Emmanuel Church, West Roxbury, in the grove near Weld street and the bridle path, was received and permission granted.

A request of Bernard T. McNulty for a hearing on notice of discharge for neglect of duty was received and a time was fixed for said hearing at the next meeting on Saturday, May 25, at 9.15 A.M.

A communication was received from Dr. James H.McCurdy of Springfield, in regard to playleaders, which was referred to the chairman.

A communication from the civil service commission in regard to thepositions of superintendent of the Zoological Garden and of the Aquarium, requesting a statement from the persons selected to fill the same, of his experience, etc.,was received and the secretary was instructed to notify Mr. Mowbray of the civil service commission's request.

A permit from the street commissioner for the planting of trees in Ipswich street, received from the mayor for report, was placed on file, the trees having been planted.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Carroll Construction Company the sum of fifty-four hundred eighty-two and 50/100 dollars, being for tenth approximate extimate of work done and material furnished on aquarium building, under its contract approved July 11, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; saidamount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

Geo. F. Sclanter
Secretary

BOSTON, MAY 25, 1912

A meeting of the board of park commissioners was held in Room 1151 Tremont Building at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Coakley and Sullivan, also present the assistant superintendent and the engineer of the board. The records of the last meeting and of special meeting of May 22 were read and approved.

Mr. Putnam submitted a report on the proposals for pile wharf on Castle Island, received May 24, andthe matter was laid over. Mr. Shea was instructed to look into the question of how Mr. Rogers is getting on with the projected boat line to Hough's Neck which was to land at the island.

A communication from the mayor's secretary, enclosing theindenture of lease of premises belonging to the Dorchester Club was received; and it was

VOTED, to approve the same and to send it to the chairman for his endorsement.

A communication from the Public Recreation League with reference to its plans for popularizing the parks by weekly walks and other features, and requesting financial assistance from the city to carry out the plans, was received and referred to the chairman.

A communication from the school committee in reference to lengthening the time for which the larger playgrounds are reserved primarily for grammar school boys was received and referred to Assistant Superintendent Shea for report.

A communication from Charles W, Newman to the mayor, and referred to the board by him, asking that improved facilities be provided at Columbus-avenue Playground during ball games was considered and the matter was referred to the assistant superintendent.

A report from Mr. Shurtleff regarding camp sites on Governor's Island was received and the assistant superintendent was instructed to lay out a camp site in general accordance with Mr. Shurtleff's suggestions,

Mr. Putnam submitted an estimate of cost of proposed improvements on Parker Hill. amounting to $27,005.00, which was placed on file.

Mr. Shea submitted a report in regard to filling on the nottherly side of Commonwealth avenue bridge from the subway excavations, and the assistant superintendent was instructed to have the contractor go on with the work at once.

Mr. Shea submitted a report in reference to contemplated improvements at Commonwealth playground and other matters, which was placed on file.

City Council orders transferring the sum of $50,000 from the appropriation for Playground Ward 20 to an appropriation for Playground Mt. Ida Section, and providing an additional $50,000 therefor, were received and placed on file.

Mr. Austin came before the board and submitted a plan for some alterations of the toilet rooms at the Aquarium, which he explained;and Mr. Austin was instructed to order the work done under the provisions of the contract.

The mayor's authority to contract with the Contral Construction Company for additional filling at Orient Heights at 61 ¢ per cubic yard, without advertising for bids, was received and placed on file.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, JUNE 1, 1912

A meeting of the board of park commissioners was held in Room 1151 Tremont Building, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan,also present the assistant superintendent and the engineer of the board. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from the mayor calling attention to complaints of annoyance from residents in the neighborhood of Ashmont Playground; and the matter was referred to the chairman to reply to the mayor.

A communication was received from the mayor's secretary calling attention to the suggestion of Representatives J. F. Griffin and James McGuire, of opening up of Olmsted Park between Jamaicaway and Leverett Pond as a playground. Mr. Shea submitted a report recommending that two backstops be erected for baseball and that tennis courts be laid out; and it was

VOTED, to approve the assistant superintendent's recommendations.

A communication from the Columbia Yacht Club requesting permission to erect small lockers close to the wooden fence separating its location from that

of the South Boston Yacht Club on the Strandway, was received and referred to the assistant superintendent for report.

A communication from E. B. Mero, Secretary Municipal Athletic Association, enclosing a schedule of summer games, was received and referred to the assistant superintendent

Offers of three properties on Mt. Ida for playground purposes were considered and the matter was laid over to the next meeting.

A request of Rev. E. H. Byington, representing four ministers in West Roxbury, for permission to hold religious services in the open air at the foot of Bellevue Tower or in Billings Field, was received, andthe secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from the Public Recreation League in regard to the city's paying some of the incidental expenses of the walks carried on by the League, was received and the assistant superintendent and the secretary were instructed to confer with the secretary of the league and arrange for paying bills for printing and postage for those trips relating to the park system, not to exceed $250.00.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Fairbanks, Morse & Company the sum of eleven hundred sixty-eight and oo/100 dollars, being in settlement of their bill of April15, 1912, for one 40 HP gasoline engine, as per proposal of February 14, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Carroll Construction Company the sum of eighty-five hundred and oc/100 dollars,being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on their contract for the erection of a winter bird house at Franklin Park approved May 1, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

The engineer's estimate of the cost of proposed improvements on Parker Hill was referred to the chairman to report to the mayor.

A request of the park employees for a day for the annual picnic was received and referredto the assistant superintendent to see if the men can agree upon a day.

A request of the National Playground Association for an exhibit at its meet in Cleveland, June 5 to 8, was received and placed on file.

A communication from Mrs. L. A. Beck protesting against the proposed site for a playground on Norfolk street, Ward 24, was received and the secretary

was instructed to reply that her letter would be given due consideration.

Mr. Shea's report on the letter from Royal Robbins regarding the policing of the Riverway was referred to the chairman to communicate with the mayor in regard to providing auxiliary police to act in the parks.

Mr. Putnam's report on the condition of the columns under the pier at Marine Park was submitted by Mr. Shea, who reported that repairs have been commenced on those which the department force can take care of. Mr. Putnam was authorized to consult a chemist concerning bituminous materials to be used for resurfacing roads.

The assistant superintendent was authorized to construct two wire partitions in the aquatic flying cage.

Mr. Shea reported informally in favor of lengthening the time of play which the school department is authorized to supervise in the playgrounds after school hours, and said he would make a report in writing.

A request from the Greater Boston Council of the Boys Scouts of America, for a field day on June 15 at Franklin Field, including speeches and a musical entertainment, was received and referred to the assistant superintendent to arrange if possible a more suitable day for their meeting.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, JUNE 6, 1912

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 628 Tremont Building, at 3 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Coakley, also present Assistant Superintendent Shea.

The chairman submitted a letter and plan from A. Robeson Sargent, for proposed stadium in the Fens, and the matter was referred to the chairman for reply.

The chairman presented a letter from Joseph Lee in reference to looking up candidates for positions of playleaders in the Boston parks and playgrounds, and the chairman was instructed to reply.

The chairman was instructed to sign the amended form of the Dorchester Club lease.

Mr. Shea submitted a letter from the Brookline Board of Health in regard to petrolizing Leverett Pond and Muddy River; and the assistant superintendent

was authorized to lower the water for one trial to be made by the Brookline authorities.

VOTED, to ask the mayor to authorize the appointment of Michael J.Tuohey for the position of custodian of buildings and grounds at Governor's Island, at a salary of $21.00 per week.

An order of the city council appropriating $5000 for Mystic Playground seawall and fence was received; and it was

VOTED, to award the contract for seawall at Mystic Playground to Lawler Brothers, the lowest bidder. The proposals received April 4, 1912 were asfollows:

Lawler Brothers	$18,475 00
W. H. Ellis	18,864 00
William L. Miller	19,335 00
Hiram W. Phillips	24,400 00
Rendle & Stoddard	26,489 00

VOTED, thatthe rules excluding motor vehicles from Franklin Park and the Arnold Arboretum be suspended on Dorchester Day, June 8, 1912.

A proposition from William D. Austin to furnish working drawings and specifications and obtain proposals forthe shelter at Jamaica Pond, for 4% commission on total cost, and three or four visits during construction to be charged for at the rate of $5.00 a visit, was received; and it was

VOTED, to accept the agreement.

Mr. Shea submitted a report recommending the employment of a woman to supervise the work of matrons, also the employment of boys for three months at the larger playgrounds to check parcels and keep order in the shower and dressing rooms, which was approved.

Propositions from seven owners of land on the site of the proposed Mt. Ida Playground were received, and the offers were referred to Mr. Coakley.

The chairman was instructed to write to the mayor again in reference to taking over the pumping station and the adjacent tract of land for a playground in Hyde Park.

VOTED, that there be awarded and paid to Central Construction Company the sum ofone thousand nine hundred thirty-eight and oo/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on filling on Orient Heights Playground, under its contract approved March 1, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground, Orient Heights.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Eugene A. Simpson the sum of nine hundred fifty-six and 25/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on iron picket fence at Charles-

town Heights, under his contract approved January 1, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Charlestown Heights Fence.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John F. Griffin Company the sum of one thousand six hundred thirteen and 30/100 dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on masonry of aquatic flying cage, under its contract approved February 17, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a specialdraft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, JUNE 8, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the chairman's office, 53 State street, at 9.15 A.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan, also present the assistant superintendent and the engineer. The records of the last meeting and special meeting of June 6 were read and approved.

The chairman submitted the suggestion of the mayor of a postal card canvas of Ward 19 voters, on the question of the location of a playground in Ward 19, and a reply to the mayor's suggestion was considered.

Mr. Shea reported, recommending that the time for which the larger playgrounds are reserved primarily for grammar school boys be extended to six o'clock P.M., as requested by the school committee; and it was

VOTED, that the request of the school committee be granted, and that notices of said reservation be posted on the various playgrounds.

On request of the Rev. George J. Patterson of St. Peter and St. Paul's church, presented through Mr. Coakley, it was

VOTED, to instruct the assistant superintendent to place additional swings in the West Third-street Playground, and to see what can be done to improve the surface under the shelter.

The chairman was instructed to write the mayor in regard to wage increases which have been voted by the board but not yet approved by the mayor.

Mr. Shea submitted a statement regarding the improvements at Franklin

Field, and the engineer's estimate of the amount needed to complete the work; and the chairman was instructed to write the mayor in regard to the unfinished work at Franklin Field and the need of further appropriation.

A communication was received from the South Boston Yacht Club in regard to an entrance for vehicles at the easterly side of the clubhouse; and it was

VOTED, that the South Boston Yacht Club be permitted to use part of its land on the easterly side of its clubhouse for a parking space for automobiles and to construct an entrance thereto under the direction of the acting superintendent of parks.

Mr. Putnam submitted a plan for an oval grass plot on the island at the end of the Marine Park Pier, which was approved.

The chairman submitted a letter from Mr. Benson in regard to the purchase of birds for the flying cage, and the erection of a temporary cage for some exhibits; and the chairman was instructed to reply.

Permission to rope off portions of Franklin Field and Christopher Gibson Playground in connection with the Dorchester Day games was granted to the city messenger, and to Masten and Wells to store fireworks and discharge them on the evening of that day.

VOTED, that the salary of directors of the Zoo and Aquarium be henceforth charged to the maintenance account.

A communication from the school committee, transmitted from the mayor, in regard to putting the playground adjoining the John Winthrop Playground in condition for play was received, and the chairman was instructed to reply.

The chairman was also instructed to write to the mayor in regard to the need of additional funds for this playground.

VOTED, that, during the absence of the superintendent, Assistant Superintendent James B. Shea be acting superintendent, and that, while performing said duties he be paid at the rate of $4200 per annum, to begin June 7, 1912.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Hapgood Frost Company the sum of nine hundred twenty-eight and 20/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on the contract for sanitary and locker building, Forest Hills Playground, approved February 29, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Forest Hills Playground, Locker Building.

Wm. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, JUNE 13, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Sullivan; also present the acting superintendent and the enigneer of the board. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The following proposals for loam and concrete surfacing at the pier head, Marine Park, were received:

	Loam in place including excavating and seeding	Concrete paving including excavating and foundation	Total Estimate
W. A. Murtfeldt Company	$3.40	$1.57	$3404 00
Coleman Brothers	1.75	2.00	3877 50
Boston Contracting Company	1.65	2.13	4114 50
Porter and Pearl	3.50	2.40	4915 00
H. P. Converse & Company	3.78	2.57	5268 60

and it was

VOTED, to accept the bid of W. A. Murtfeldt Company

On a report from the acting superintendent it was

VOTED, to approve the plan for locker building, submitted by the Columbia Yacht Club with its letter of May 22, 1912, and to authorize the club to build the lockers in accordance therewith.

On request of George H. Hurley it was

VOTED, to approve the transfer of his carriage stand, at the northeast corner of Commonwealth avenue and Exeter street, to James Rogan.

On report from the acting superintendent it was

VOTED, to grant the Municipal Athletic Association the use of the various grounds required for its schedule of summer games, as requested in its letter of June 12, 1912.

A suggestion of Mr. Mero, that the board pay the Public Recreation League the cost of multigraphing and mailing park walk notices for June 8 and 15, including clerical work and messenger, amounting to $14.01, was not approved.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John McCourt & Company the sum of one thousand sixty-one and 65/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on wall on Franklin Field, under their contract approved April 8, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playgrounds Improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid toBay State Construction Company the sum of four thousand one hundred thirty-eight and 65/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on refrigeration of Aquarium Building, under its contract approved July 18, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in

favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden & Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Laskey & McMurrer the sumof two thousand two hundred fifty-two and 50/100 dollars, being for fourth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on heating, ventilating and piping of Aquarium Building, under their contract approved July 18, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid toJ.E.Locatelli Co.,Inc., the sum of eight thousand six hundred twenty-four and 10/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Bath House, Dewey Beach, under its contract approved April 2, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a specialdraft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Bath House, Dewey Beach.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Oliver Whyte Company, the sum of nine hundred eighty-one and 75/100dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on wire covering of aquatic flying cage in Franklin Park, under its contract approved May,11, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Loomis-Manning Filter Distributing Company the sum of two thousand dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on filters for Aquarium Building,under its contract approved October 27, 1911 and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged tothe appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to A. Johanson & Company the sum of three hundred sixty-five and 50/100 dollars, being for bill for fences at West Third and West Fifth-street playgrounds, under its contract,less 15% reserved for future payment, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a specialdraft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playgrounds Ward 13.

The acting superintendent submitted a report on the proposition of the Sight-Seeing Auto Company to operate automobiles for hire in Franklin Park, provided it is given exclusive privileges, and suggested the purchase of a one and one-half ton motor truck, with a portable passenger-carrying body, for this purpose to be run by the department, and the matter was laid over pending the securing ofproposals.

An offer from the Adams Pond Company to furnish 1000 cubic yards of filling, free of cost, at Christopher Gibson Playground, and 700 cubic yards of loam, at sixty cents per cubic yard, was received and referred to the acting superintendent.

A letter from George C. Fitzpatrick in regard to establishing a boat service to Governor's Island, was received and referred to the acting superintendent.

Wm. F. Coakley
Secretary

BOSTON, JUNE 24, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the chairman's office, 53 State street, at 9.15 A.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

VOTED, to reject all the bids for walls, stairway, sanitary and grading on Charlestown Heights, and to revise the plans and readvertise the contract.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Carroll Construction Company the sum of five thousand seven hundred eighty and oo/100 dollars, being for eleventh approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on erection of Aquarium Building, at Marine Park, under its contract approved July 11, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to James Driscoll & Son Company, the sum of five hundred fifteen and 10/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on excavating channel at the Fens, under its contract approved May 9, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Fens Improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to James Driscoll & Son Company, the sum of two thousand two hundred forty-four and 7/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on running track in Franklin Field, under its contract approved May 11, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J.E.Locatelli Compant, Inc., the sum of two thousand six hundred ninety-eight and 65/100 dollars, being for seventh and finalestimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary and locker building on Strandway Playground, under its contract approved July 18, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Locker and Sanitary building, Strandway Playground.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Smith & Lovett Company, the sum of three thousand four hundred and oc/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on iron work for bears' dens in Franklin Park, under its contract approved June 26, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that the Management of the Fresh Air Fund be granted the privilege of holding its series of annual picnics in Abbotswood, as in former years.

Applications for permits for the sale of tonics and light refreshments at Wood Island Park, on July 4th, were received from several persons and were referred to the secretary with authority to issue permits,as usual, for this purpose.

Upon the recommendation of the acting superintendent, it was

VOTED, subject to the mayor's approval, to increase the pay of Patrick J. Donoghue, gardener, from $3.00 to $3.?4 per day, to date from June 24,1912

VOTED, subject to the mayor's approval, to increase the pay of James H. Kelley, janitor, from $?.50 to $3.00 per day, to date from June 24,1912.

VOTED, to request the mayor's authority to appoint a man to care for the bears'dens.

On request of John J. Scanlon, for a hearing on his notice of suspension, a hearing was set for Monday,next, at 10.30 A.M.,in Room 828 Tremont Building.

A communication from the commissionerof public works, calling attention to the report of the division engineer of the sewer and water division, regarding the unnecesary waste of water on account of continuously floving bubble fountains, was received and referred to the acting superintendent.

A communication from Captain Francis J. Hird, regarding park rules for Governor's Island, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

Requests for permits for camping on Governor's Island were received from a number of persons. The acting superintendent reported recommending that

temporary permits be issued without charge, and that the rules relating to the use of intoxicating liquors in parks be enforced. The secretary was instructed to issue permits for the coming week, subject to the park rules, and to call the attention of campers particularly to the rule in question.

A petition was received from F.P.Estabrook, that Miss Estabrook be permitted to use a small section of Billings Field for free instruction in physical exercises; and it was

VOTED, to grant the request, and that the secretary notify Miss Estabrook accordingly.

Proposals from the White Motor Car Company for a 1½-ton truck, with passenger-carrying body, also from the Packard Company for a 2-ton truck, were received; and it was

VOTED, to request the mayor's approval to the purchase of a White truck, without advertising for bids.

A request of J. Pickering Putnam for a permit for a sidewalk area and granolithic pavement at Charlesgate Hotel, was received; and it was

VOTED, that the plan of J. Pickering Putnam, agent for the Charlesgate Hotel, of the projections desiredunder the sidewalk of Charlesgate East for a covered area, of the dimensions shown on the plan filed with its application for this permit, be approved, and that he be authorized to construct and maintain the same provided that said projections be removed upon notice, and that Harriet B. Hayden, the owner of said real estate, give a bond in the sum of twenty thousand dollars satisfactory to this board, to indemnify and save harmless the city of Boston from all suits or actions on account of injuries or damages sustained by anyone in consequence of such construction and maintenance, and to faithfully observe andkeep each and all the conditions and specifications to be observed and kept by her or her agent contained in each and every permit that may be issued by this board therefor, and to pay whatever fee may be determined by this board to be due and payable to the city on account of the use of public land herein granted.

The following proposals for iron railing at Marine Park Pier Head, and moving two Castle Island sanitaries to Governor's Island, were received:

IRON RAILING ON PIER HEAD

W. A. Snow Iron Works	$889 00
Smith & Lovett	999 00
A. Johanson & Company	1200 00
Babcock, Sanborn & Davis Co.	1622 00

MOVING TWO SANITARIES FROM CASTLE ISLAND TO GOVERNOR'S ISLAND

The John Cavanagh & Son Building Moving Co.	250 00
John T. Cavanagh, 2nd	300 00

and it was Voted, to accept the lowest offers.

The acting superintendent submitted Mr. Putnam's estimate for repairing the stone pier on the northeast side of Castle Island, which was placed on file.

The acting superintendent was instructed to put the fence at Mystic Playground in good order and to place a bubble on the fountain at Prince-street Playground.

A communication from the Board of Health in reference to planting trees on Gallops Island was received and referred to the acting superintendent and landscape architect, for investigation and report.

A letter was received from Elmer R. B. Chapman, in reference to a position in connection with the Zoo, and was referred to the acting superintendent.

The acting superintendent reported on the employment of playkeepers, recommending the employment for three months of Charles A. Dickinson, of the Ruggles-street Neighborhood House, at $125.00 per month, and four young men from The Young Men's Christian Association College at Springfield, at $85.00 per month; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the acting superintendent to make the appointments accordingly.

Mr. Shea was instructed to visit Chicago with the view of securing a competent man to take charge of this work; and it was

VOTED, that, during Mr. Shea's absence, Mr. Putnam be acting superintendent.

Mr. Putnam was requested to estimate the cost of filling Orient Heights Playground, and to look into the sources from which filling may be obtained.

Mr. Putnam reported that filling from the Winter-street subway, now being excavated, might be available for filling near the bridge to Castle Island; and the secretary was instructed to look into the question of whether the city has authority to extend the filling at Marine Park.

The chairman was authorized to approve anorder to the contractor for the Aquarium, for addition to the contract sum of $120.00 for extra foundations under compressors, also for addition of $267.00 for changes in Head House of the Aquarium; also addition of $599.00 for galvanized iron tanks. The question of lining the filter bed with water proofing, also the lead lined pipe for fresh water tanks and laboratory table, were referred to the chairman to approve if vital or necessary.

A report from Mr. Shurtleff in regard to the plans for a stadium in the Fens was received, and the chairman was instructed to send a copy of the report to the mayor and to Mr. A. B. Sargent.

Plans of the outlet of Muddy River into Charles River from the Fens, and for remodelling Commonwealth avenue between Massachusetts avenue and Charlesgate East, also for a plan developing the Strandwayplayground, and for an approach from same to the Dorchester Tower Monument on Thomas Park were received from Mr. Shurtleff, and the chairman was instructed to send the same to the mayor.

A petition from Jamaica Plain residents, asking for facilities for playing baseball, also a communication from John Parkinson, offering the use of his land on Forest Hills street if the city will assume the taxes, were received and a report from the acting superintendent of the cost ofnecessary work to develop the same as a playground were received; and the chairman was instructed to send the same to the mayor.

VOTED, that the acting superintendent be authorized toappoint an additional custodian at Governor's Island.

Geo. F. Peabody
Secretary

BOSTON, JULY 1, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 10.30 A.M. Present Messrs, Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan; also present the acting superintendent and the engineer of the Board. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Communications from the mayor's secretary, and from the Director of Public Celebrations, in regard to arrangements in connection with the Fourth of July entertainments, with a report from the acting superintendent were received, and the acting superintendent was instructed to co-operate in said arrangements as herecommends.

A communication from the Civil Service Commission regardingthe certification of additional names for positions as custodians of buildings and grounds was received, and the chairman was instructed to request the mayor's approval to the appointment of Andrew B. Morrison as custodian at Governor's Island, at $21.00 per week, also of Paul Spiessert as bear keeper at $17.50 per week.

A request of the Field and Forest Club for a meetingat Castle Island, July 8, and at Franklin Park, August 12, was received; and it was

VOTED, to grant the request.

A communication from James M. Graham, offering land in Mattapan for a play-

ground was received and placed on file.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to James Wilkinson Company the sum of three hundred twenty-four and 70/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on electric wiring on Prince-street Playground, under its contract approved May 18, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Carroll Construction Company, the sum of four thousand one hundred twenty-two and 50/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Winter Bird House at Franklin Park, under its contract approved May 1, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to James Driscoll & Son Company, the sum of five hundred eighty and 59/100 dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Tennis Courts on Franklin Field, under its contract approved September 5, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Franklin Field, Tennis Courts.

A letter from A. R. Sargent in regard to his plans for a stadium was received and referred to the landscape architect.

A communication was received from the Children's Welfare League of Roxbury, asking for the loan of swings and apparatus at Bartlett-street playground; and the chairman was instructed to reply.

A communication from John F. Dever, Director of Public Celebrations, regarding the distribution of programs at some of the July celebrations, was received. The request was granted and the secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from the Finance Commission, requesting information on playground takings and offers, was received and referred to the secretary to collect the data required and submit it to the board.

Orders for extra work at the Aquarium, to provide skids for transportation tanks, received from Mr. Austin, werereferred to the chairman for approval.

A communication from Mr. Austin, with revised drawings for the Medford-street shelter, were received. The sketches were approved and the letters were referred to the chairman for reply.

A public hearing was given to John J.Scanlon, upon the notice of suspension

for absence without leave and neglect of duty, at which hearing he appeared and gave reasons why, in his opinion, the suspension should not be made permanent. Subsequently, it was

VOTED, that the suspension of John J. Scanlon be made permanent for the reasons stated in the notice previously sent to him.- Mr. Coakley voting no.

A communication from Mr. Hornaday, in answer to a letter from the chairman in relation to the management of bears, was received and the chairman was instructed to acknowledge the same.

A communication from Mrs. Anna Phillips Williams, in relation to the work at Charlesbank and her intention of retiring therefrom, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply. The acting superintendent was instructed to look up and recommend a second assistant for the school summer vacation.

A letter from the chairman to the mayor in regard to utilizing the horse sheds at Franklin Park as an adjunct to the Zoo, and suggesting that plans and estimates be secured and the employment of Herbert G. Ripley be authorized, was approved.

The chairman was instructed to write the mayor again in regard to the utilization of the Parkman House for a meeting place for the board.

A communication from J. E. Thayer, in regard to the selection of birds for the Flying Cage, was received; and the chairman was instructed to authorize Mr. Benson to make purchases of birds in accordance with the list submitted, to a total expenditure of $1518.00.

A communication from Joseph Lee, in regard to playground supervision, was received and the chairman was instructed to reply.

A communication to the Schoolhouse Commission, in regard to the plans submitted by the architects of the School of Commerce, was approved, and the chairman was instructed to send it.

Mr. Putnam submitted an estimate of the dredging necessary for widening and deepening the channel to the Castle Island boat landing, at 13,000 cubic yards, and estimated the cost at $7150.00; also estimated the cost of a suitable landing and shelter at $1000. and $2000., respectively. Mr. Putnam was instructed to obtain estimates for the landing at once, and prepare plans for the dredging, to be submitted to the Directors of the Port.

VOTED, to recommend to the Street Commissioners the acceptance of the offer of Henry D. Bennett, to accept $15000. in settlement for the land on Portsmouth street, Brighton, belonging to the heirs of S, H. Bennett, and containing about 186,563 square feet.

VOTED, to recommend to the Street Commissioners the acceptance of the offer of W, P. Warner and others, to accept $25,000. in settlement for the land on

Carolina avenue and Child street, which the board asked the Street Commissioners to take April 18 for a playground in Ward 23.

A communication with sketch from R. Clipston Sturgis, forthe entrance of Short street into the Riverway, was received; and it was

VOTED, to approve the plan with the suggestion of a three-foot planting space in the nine-foot sidewalk opposite the Winsor School, and to authorize a permit to be issued therefor.

Mr. Putnam submitted a report, that the plans for a two-family house at #270 Arborway for Miss Louise V. Curry to cost about $10000., submitted by Maurice E. Maney, Architect, complied with the park restrictions, and it was

VOTED, to approve the plans.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, JULY 8, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 2 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan; also present the acting superintendent and the engineer of the board. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to H. P. Converse & Company the sum of One Thousand sixty and 60/100 dollars, being for first approximate eztimate of work done and material furnished on guard fence at aquatic flying cage, under its contract approved May 22, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Richard F. Keough the sum of four hundred sixteen and 50/100 dollars,being for labor and materials and repairing Marine Park landing float, as per agreement dated April 27, 1912,less 15%, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Central Construction Company, the sum of one thousand eight hundred fourteen and 75/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and materialfurnished on filling on Orient Heights Playground under its contract approved June 10, 1912, and that

the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amcunt to be charged tc the appropriation for Playground, Crient Heights.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Central Construction Company, the sum of one thousand sixty-five and 90/100 dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on filling on Orient Heights Playground, under its contract approved March 1, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged tc the appropriation for Crient Heights Playground.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John F. Griffin Company, the sum of four hundred twenty-five and oo/100 dollars, being for fourth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on masonry of aquatic flying cage in Franklin Park, under its contract approved February 17, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. E. Locatelli Company, Inc., the sum of three thousand three hundred two and 25/100 dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on erection of bathhouse at Dewey Beach, under its contract approved April 2, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Bathhouse, Dewey Beach.

A communication received through the mayor's office, from William T. Lenehan, calling attention to danger on Stratton street, and requesting the laying out of the road at the entrance, extending to the fourth house, was referred to Mr. Shea for report.

A communication from the mayor's secretary, regarding the proposition of John Parkinson to lease land for a playground in Forest Hills section, was received and referred to the chairman to correspond further with Mr. Parkinson.

A communication from John W. Foster, expressing appreciation of Mr. Pettigrew's services in behalf of Boston's parks, was received, and the chairman was instructed to write to Mrs. Pettigrew expressing the sympathy of the board and sense of loss at Mr. Pettigrew's death, and send her a copy of Mr. Foster's letter.

A communication from H. V. Cunninghan, regarding land owned by the Roman Catholic Archbishop, on Paris street, East Boston, was received and laid over.

Executive Circular, No. 40, in regard to allowing vacations to Spanish War veterans, in connection with their annual encampment, was received and placed on file.

A communication from John C. Kiley, requesting information as to the condition of the water between the Riverway and Audubon Road, was received and referred to Mr. Putnam for report.

An acknowledgment from the South Boston Yacht Club, of the action of the board in granting the entrance for automobiles, was received and placed onfile.

A petition protesting against the location of a playground on Norfolk street, Mattapan district, was received and placed on file.

An application from Richard J. Hayden, for a position as assistant superintendent, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the Music Department, enclosing the summer schedule of band concerts was received; and it was

VOTED, to approve the same and authorize the Music Trustees to conduct band concerts, in accordance therewith, in the various parks and playgrounds.

The mayor's approval to the employment of Herbert G. Ripley as architect for the changes in the horse shed at Franklin Park, to fit it for a zoological exhibition building and to do other work for the board, was received and the chairman was instructed to ask Mr. Ripley to prepare some sketches for the work.

A communication from R. Clipston Sturgis, in regard to a three-foot tree space in the nine-foot sidewalk opposite the Winsor School, was received.

A communication from John L. Newell, regarding the removal of a sewer in Berners street and relocation in the fifteen-foot reservation for a walk in Berners Square, adjoining the Winsor School property, was received and referred to Mr. Putnam for report.

On the superintendent's report, it was

VOTED, to approve Mr. Benson's request for additional help for the Zoo, also Mr. Mowbray's request for the employment of a foreman for the Aquarium.

The superintendent submitted a report of his visit to Chicago and other cities, in regard to the matter of playground supervision and general playground work, which was placed on file.

The superintendent submitted a report on the employees' picnic day: and it was

VOTED, to give a day for a picnic, without loss of pay, to those employees whose services can be dispensed with, on the occasion of the picnic of the Assembly of the American Federation of Labor and the Knights of Labor, each employee to elect which picnic he will attend.

A request for a further appropriation of $5000 for filling Orient Heights Playground was sent to the mayor.

VOTED, that James B.Shea be appointed superintendent of parks, to take effect July 8, 1912, at a salary of $4200. per annum.

The superintendent submitted a report on the request of the Machinists' Union, for increased pay for J. T. Nee and E. J. Doherty. machinists in this department; and it was

VOTED, not to grant the request.

The superintendent made a report on the general work of the department, and recommended that two additional power sprayers be purchased, which was placed on file.

Dr. Harrington, Director of School Hygiene, came before the board by appointment. The board discussed with Dr. Harrington the management of playgrounds. Subsequently, the chairman was instructed to write to the school committee asking to have Dr. Young transferred, temporarily, to the park department. The board, also,

VOTED, to take over four playleaders from the school committee in addition to the four already engaged.

VOTED, to appoint Mr. Putnam assistant superintendent and engineer of the board.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, JULY 15, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 3 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan; also present the superintendent and the engineer of the board. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

An order of the citycouncil, requesting an estimate of the cost of providing a recreation pier at the East Boston water front, was received and referred to the chairman for reply.

A request of Shay Brothers to be assisted out of difficulty, due to a misunderstanding asto the amount of work, etc. on the finishing of the painting of the flying cage, was referred to the engineer for adjustment.

A communication was received from the mayor's secretary, stating that the mayor has no objection to having the board make a design for the stadium in the Fens; and the matter was referred to the chairman to ask Mr. Shurtleff to submit a design.

A communication from the mayor's secretary, stating that the question of renting the Parkman House has been taken up with the corporation counsel and action thereon deferred until the ordinance consolidating the recreation depart-

ments is passed upon by the city council, was received and placed on file.

A communication from John Fottler, regarding the area of the Dorr Estate, Ward 24, offered by Mrs. Mason for a playground, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the Street Laying out department, stating that the board of street commissioners has taken the property of Stephen D. Bennett and Sarah A. Matchett, on Portsmouth street, Brighton, for playground purposes, was received and placed on file.

Applications of P. J. Nolan and Jeremiah Hayes, for a hearing on notices of discharge, were received and laid over.

Accident claims of John Brennan and M. Flanina, certified to by the superintendent, were approved.

A communication from William C. Herrick, to the mayor, suggesting an experiment of setting aside a portion of the playgrounds as a market place for farmers near Boston, to give the poor and middle classes a chance to get products at first cost, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply to the mayor.

The application of S. Henri Desmond for a permit to clean the stone trimmings of the house at 347 Commonwealth avenue, by the sand blast process, was received and referred to the superintendent to give the permit if the work can be done under proper conditions.

The engineer's estimate of the cost of water supply for irrigating tees and putting greens of the golf course, Franklin Park, as requested by F. W. Moffat, was referred to the chairman for reply.

The engineer's recommendation to accept the proposal of W. A. Snow Iron Works, the lowest bidder for tree guards at the bear cages, was accepted. The proposals were as follows:

W. A. Snow Iron Works, Inc.	$298 00
Babcock, Sanborn & Davis Company	549 00
Smith Erecting and Contracting Company	750 00
M. P. Converse & Company	965 00

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Laskey & McMurrer the sum of one thousand one hundred five and oo/100 dollars, being for fifth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on heating and ventilating Aquarium, under their contract approved July 18, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment;said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, to approve orders to Laskey & McMurrer for a deduction of $141.90 in their contract, on account of making the covering on the trout water piping, etc., one inch think instead of two inches, and addition of $263.00 for changes in piping

The superintendent submitted a report on the work to be done at the Bears'

dens, flying cage and aquarium, during the present season, also amount to be expended on the purchase of bears, etc., which was referred to the chairman.

The superintendent's report, recommending approval of Mr. Benson's request for $1200. for the purchase of six bears, and $200. for sea lions, was approved.

A letter from E. D. Beattie of Seattle, offering to send to the Boston Zoo bear cubs, at the expense of boxing and other expenses, was referred to the superintendent.

Mr. Austin's letter, referring to lining the exhibition tanks at an expense of $579.00, was received; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the lining of the exhibition tanks at an expense of $579.00.

Mr. Shurtleff's bills for work on the Zoological Garden in June, and changes in lines of Commonwealth avenue and Charlesgate waterways, wereapproved.

The chairman submitted Mr. Parkinson's letter to him, in regard to repaying taxes on the Forset Hills land, in case the property is sold within three years, and stated that he had written to the mayor.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, JULY 22, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 3 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan;also present the superintendent and the engineer of the board.

The superintendent submitted his weekly report, with reports from the engineer and the directors of the Zoo and the Aquarium, which were placed on file.

The superintendent submitted a report on playground management, which was accepted; and the superintendent was authorized to organize the work as he recommends.

The superintendent submitted a communication from the Highway Commission, regarding the taking of parkway travel census; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the superintendent to co-operate with the Highway Commission.

The superintendent submitted a request of John L. Newell, for the Winsor School, to carry a sewer across Berners Square. The secretary stated that the sewer division was looking into the project to see if it were feasible before action is taken by the board.

The superintendent submitted a report on the communication from Sprague-Nugent Company, regarding broken windows from ball playing at Columbus-avenue Playground; and the matter was referred to the superintendent to confer with Sprague-Nugent Company.

The superintendent submitted a report on the communication from the park department union, complaining of the action of the department in not suspending work during the hot weather when Mayor Fitzgerald requested, which was placed on file.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Hapgood, Frost & Company the sum of four thousand one hundred thirty-six and 95/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary and locker building on Forest Hills Playground, under its contract approved March 14, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Forest Hills Playground, Locker Building.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Oliver Whyte Company, the sum of five hundred forty-eight and 25/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on wire covering of aquatic flying cage in Franklin Park, under its contract approved May 11, 1912, and that the chairmen sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to H. P. Converse & Company, the sum of one thousand two hundred eighty and 95/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on guard fence at aquatic flying cage in Franklin Park, under its contract approved May 22, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to the Adder Machine Company the sum of four hundred twelve and 25/100,Dollars, being for bill for one Wales visible adding and listing machine, model #10 - E #1 stand, dated June 19, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Carroll Construction Company, the

sum of three thousand eight hundred eighty-nine and 17/100 dollars, being for twelfth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Aquarium building, Marine Park, under its contract approved July 11, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

A communication from the directors of the Port of Boston, with a license to build a seawall at Mystic Playground, was received and placed on file.

A communication from F. L. Homes, offering land on Homes avenue, Ward 20, and Ann M. Jacobs regarding rights in a private street, were received and placed on file.

A request of the Bath Department for the control of Savin Hill Beach was received and referred to the superintendent for report.

A communication from the secretary of the school committee, regarding the services of Mr. Young in organizing a corps of playleaders, also report of the superintendent on the same matter, were received and referred to the superintendent.

A communication from W. P. B. Weeks, protesting against carrying Newbury street across the Fens, was received and placed on file.

A proposition from the Oliver Whyte Company, to furnish and erect two wire partitions at the aquatic flying cage, for $870.00, was received and accepted.

VOTED, to authorize the chairman to employ Hubert G. Ripley to assist Mr. Shurtleff in the designing of the stadium.

A communication from John C. Kiley, in reference to enlarging Fellows-street Playground, was received and referred to thesuperintendent for report.

A communication from Samuel H. Sullivan, complaining of Strandway Playground merry-go-round, etc., was received and referred to the superintendent.

A letter from French and Hubbard, in regard to engaging an engineer to take charge of the aquarium, also a report from Mr. Mowbray, were received and referred to the superintendent.

Mr. Austin's request that he be authorized to print the specifications for the Jamaica Pond Building was approved.

The chairman was instructed to write the bath department in regard to the care of the building at Dewey Beach.

The appointment of James E. O'Reilly as custodian of the North Brighton Playground was approved.

A letter from the mayor's secretary, enclosing a communication from the secretary of the playground commission of San Francisco, in reference to the stadium at Golden Gate Park, was received and placed on file.

Asst. Secretary

BOSTON, JULY 29, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 3.15 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan; also present the superintendent and the engineer of the Board. The records of the last two meetings were read and approved.

The superintendent's report on the annual convention of the American Association of Park Superintendent's was received, and the superintendent was instructed to extend the hospitality of the department so far as to securing automobiles and boats, if it can properly be done.

A request of the Boston & Maine Railroad, to buy a 5-foot strip adjoining its railroad at Dewey Beach, for safety to life and property, was received together with a report from the superintendent; and the secretary was instructed to see what terms the company will make, including the erection of a concrete fence.

A communication from the wire commissioner regarding the requirements for installing wire in the Aquarium building, was received and referred to Mr.Austin for consideration.

A communication was received from George A. Sweetser regarding restrictions on the Fenway lands, requiring apartment houses to cost not less than $4000. per suite of apartments; and the secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication was received from the health department, acknowledging the receipt of Mr. Shurtleff's report regarding the implantation of trees on Gallop's Island, which was placed on file.

The superintendent submitted a report on Mr. Beattie's offer of bear cubs. The offer was accepted and the matter was referred to Mr. Benson for reply.

A communication was received from H. V. Cunningham, reducing his previous offer for Ward 2 land to $8500; and the secretary was instructed to refer the offer to the street commissioners.

A communication from the street commissioners, stating that they have agreed with S. D. Bennett and S. A. Matchett on damages for taking land for Ward 25 playground, of $15000; and it was

VOTED, that, WHEREAS, the board of street commissioners has taken, at the request of this board, and with the approval of the mayor, a parcel of land on Portsmouth street, Brighton, containing 185,563 square feet, for a playground, there be awarded and paid to Stephen D. Bennett and Sarah A. Matchett the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking satisfactory to the law department, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Ward 25.

A letter from E. B. Badger & Sons Company, asking if the board will guarantee payment on Aquarium tanks, under the Carroll Construction Company's contract, was received; and it was

VOTED, to approve an order deducting $495.00 from the Carroll Construction Company's contract, for omitting the labor and galvanized iron material for the tanks; and to accept the proposal of EB. Badger & Sons Company to furnish the tanks for $495.00.

A communication from E.B.Mero, regarding a recreation course, conducted by the School of Social Workers, was received and referred to the next meeting, so that, in the mean time, the members could read Mr. Mero's paper.

A communication was received from the fire commissioner, calling attention to a report from the captain of Fireboat Engine 31, regarding nuisance caused by an unused bandstand in North End Park; and the superintendent was instructed to look into the matter.

A communication from the superintendent of public buildings, regarding down town office accommodations, was received and the secretary was directed to acknowledge the same.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Louis B. Cadario the sum of one thousand four hundred two and 50/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary building on Fellows-street Playground, under his contract approved May 18, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Fellows-street Playground, Sanitary Building.

On requests of P. J. Nolan and Jeremiah Hayes for hearings on notices of discharge a hearing was set for Wednesday, July 31, at 2 P.M.

The superintendent submitted a report on the list of materials required to equip twenty-one playgrounds, with estimates furnished by Mr. Young, amounting to $969.00; and it was

VOTED, to furnish the same, and to appoint eight more instructors, for two and one-half months, as recommended by the superintendent.

A communication was received from Mr. Austin, recommending additions to the contract with Laskey & McMurrer, of $6.50 for changes in the water supply to the pool, and $103.00 for installing a steam pipe in the high gutter on the dome of the Aquarium, in accordance with estimate by Hollis French and Allen Hubbard, of July 20, 1912; and it was

VOTED, to approve the same.

A reply to the city council order in regard to a recreation pier on the East Boston water front was sent to the mayor.

Geo. F. Slattery
Secretary

BOSTON, JULY 31, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 2 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan; also present the superintendent and the engineer of the board. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A hearing was given to P..J. Nolan on notice of intention to discharge him for intoxication and general incompetency. Mr. Nolan appeared and denied the charge against him, stating thecircumstances, and the matter was taken under consideration.

Jeremiah Hayes, who also was notified of a hearing on his suspension, on charges of intoxication and insubordination, did not appear.

Subsequently, the board referred the cases to the superintendent.

The superintendent was authorized to purchase three driving horses and two cows, as recommended in his report of July 29.

The superintendent submitted a sketch plan, showing possible addition to Fellows-street Playground, as suggested in a letter from Mr. Kiley; and the matter was laid over.

A letter from the mayor's secretary, acknowledging the board's communication to the mayor of July 29, in regard to a further appropriation for the Zoo and Aquarium, was received and placed on file.

On recommendation from the superintendent, it was

VOTED, to appoint Margaret Maguire as switch-board operator at the Franklin Park office, at $10.00 per week.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to West Roxbury Trap Rock Company, the sum of one thousand three hundred sixty and oo/100 dollars, being for second approximate of work done and material furnished on walls and stairway in Franklin Park, under its contract approved January 15, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; saidamount to be charged to the appopriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to W. A. Murtfeldt Company the sum of one thousand two hundred one and 5/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on loam and concrete surface on Pier Head at Marine Park, under its contract approved July 9, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Marine Park and Strandway Improvement.

Wm. F. McClure
Secretary

BOSTON, AUGUST 8, 1912.

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Coakley and Sullivan.

A report was received from the superintendent, recommending the appointment of Howard Nelson as assistant in the Aquarium, at a salary of $17.50 per week; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the superintendent to make the appointment, with the approval of the mayor.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John A. Rooney, the sum of nine hundred thirteen and 75/100 dollars, being for fifth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on walls and bear dens in Franklin Park, under his contract approved June 26, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. C. Coleman and Sons Company, the sum of five thousand seven hundred forty-nine and 50/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on asphalt macadam on Commonwealth avenue, under its contract approved June 11, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William L. Morrison Company, the sum of one thousand twenty-four and 46/100 dollars, being for fifth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on concrete floors in bear cages in Franklin Park, under its contract approved Sept 27, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Central Construction Company the sum of three thousand one hundred sixty-two & 85/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on filling at Orient Heights Playground, under its contract approved June 10, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground, Orient Heights.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Hapgood, Frost & Company, the sum of eight hundred ninety-two and 50/100 dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary and locker building on Forest Hills Playground, under its contract approved March 14, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of

said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Forest Hills Playground, Sanitary and Locker Building.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Carroll Construction Company, the sum of four thousand five hundred ninety and oo/100 dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on erection of Winter Bird House, in Franklin Park, under its contract approved May 1, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

Scott Coolidge
Secretary

BOSTON, AUGUST 14, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 282 Tremont Building, at 3 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan, also present the superintendent and the engineer of the board. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

An acknowledgment from the Finance Commission of playground correspondence was received and placed on file.

The superintendent submitted a report on the pay of teamsters, and the superintendent was authorized to pay the teamsters in accordance with his recommendation.

The engineer submitted a report on the award of contract for plastering the foot bridge over the running track at Wood Island Park, which was considered; and it was

VOTED, to accept the proposal of William H. Morrison to do the work for $85.

The proposal of A. A. Hersey, for building the boat landing on the west side of Castle Island, for $970.00, was accepted.

A communication from the mayor's secretary, with reference to the transfer of $1565 from the reserve fund for the rental and improvement of the Parkinson Estate was received and placed on file.

A communication from the railroad commissioners, giving notice of a conference for the purpose of erecting an island station at Franklin Park or Franklin Field, was received and the secretary was instructed to attend the conference.

A communication from Frank M. Rogers in regard to the boat service at Castle

Island, inquiring when the pier will be ready, was received and the secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Rogers.

A communication from the bath department in reference to the supervision of the bathhouse at Dewey Beach, and explaining conditions at North End Beach, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company, in reference to the pay station at the Charlesbank Men's Gymnasium, was receiced and referred to the secretary.

A communication from J. Edward VanDoren to the mayor, relative to the delay in taking land at Mt. Ida, was received and referred to the secretary.

A petition against the taking of the Norfolk-street site for aplaygrcund in Ward 24, was received and placed on file.

A report from the engineer,regarding filling on the northerly side of the bridge to Castle Island,was received and placed on file.

A communication from George A. Sweetser, regarding restrictions in certain buildings on the Fens, was received and referred to the secretary.

A communication in reference to the convenience station on Columbia Road, near Upham's Corner, was received and the matter was referred to the chairman to communicate with the board of health.

The secretary was instructed to notify the commissioner of public works todiscontinue using the Strandway dump for city teams.

Mr. Shurtleff presented sketches for improvements at North End Beach, also for a stadium at Franklin Field, which were considered, and Mr. Shurtleff was instructed to complete them and report to the board.

A communication was received from the Transit Commission regarding the subway entrance in Commonwealth avenue, which wasreferred to Mr. Shurtleff.

A communication from the wire commissioner, relating to the wiring of the Aquarium building, was received and placed on file.

The following proposals, opened July 31, for sanitary, subway, walls and steps on Charlestown Heights, were considered:

Hapgood, Frost & Company	$19,995 00
John J. Falvey	21,380 00

and it was

VOTED, to reject the bids and readvertise the contract.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. C. Coleman & Sons Company, the sum of three thousand three hundred thirty and 10/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on asphalt macadam on Commonwealth avenue, under its contract approved June 11,1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of

said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. E. Locatelli Company inc., the sum of five thousand eight hundred thirty-eight and 65/100 dollars, being for fourth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on erection of bathhouse at Dewey Beach, under its contract approved April 2, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Bath House, Dewey Beach.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Laskey & McMurrer the sum of one thousand seven hundred eighty-five and oo/100 dollars, being for sixth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on heating, ventilating and piping the Aquarium building, under their contract approved July 18, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there beallowed and paid to Carroll Construction Company, the sum of fourthousand five hundred twenty-eight and 80/100 dollars, being for thirteenth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on erection of Aquarium building in Marine Park, under its contract approved July 11, 1911, and that the chairmna sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

A request of Andrew B. Morrissey, for a hearing on notice of discharge, was received, and the secretary was instructed to notify him of a hearing before the board August 23.

A proposition of The White Company to furnish a 5-passenger touring body for the White 30-horse power motor car, was received and placed on file.

The chairman submitted his reply to the communication from the mayor's secretary, referring to the board a petition and diagrams in reference to remodeling Commonwealth avenue, retaining the present general configuration of the avenue, with request for an estimate and opinion thereon, which was approved.

A communication from the mayor's secretary, in reference to Mr. Shurtleff's plans for Commonwealth avenue improvement and other matters, was received and placed on file.

The superintendent submitted a letter from Mr. Benson on the proposition of Hagenbeck to furnish four South African sea bears for $900.00, recommending that they be not purchased;and the superintendent's recommendation was accepted.

An order of the city council appropriating $5000 for Prince-street Play-

ground sanitary building, and $1565 for Parkinson Estate rental and improvements, was received and it was

VOTED, to hire the Parkinson Estate for a playground on the terms stated in Mr. Parkinson's offer.

The chairman was instructed to ask Mr. Ripley to make a sketch for the sanitary for Prince-street Playground.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, AUGUST 19, 1912

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at Mr.Coakley's office, 1109 Pemberton Building, at 10 A.M. Present Messrs. Coakley and Sullivan, Mr, Peabody being absent from the city.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Stone & Downer Company, the sum of twelve hundred and fifteen and oo/100 dollars, for charges on four cases, containing six live bears, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William Downes Austin, the sum of six hundred sixty-two and 90/100 dollars,on account of professional services in preparing sketches, working drawings, details and full specifications of sanitary building and shelter building at Jamaica Pond, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Jamaica Pond, shelter and boat landing.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, AUGUST 23, 1912

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 11 A.M. Present Messrs. Coakley & Sullivan, Mr.Peabody being absent from the city. Also present the superintendent and the engineer of the board.

The hearing to Michael J. Tuohey and Andrew J. Morrissey on notice of discharge was postponed until the next meeting, the notice to Michael J. Tuohey not having reached him.

Leslie C. Weed came before the board and made a report on Mt. Ida Playground The secretary stated, in reference to the communication of J. Edward Van Doren, inregard to Mt. Ida Playground, that the plan would be ready for the next meeting of the board.

A communication from Mr. Austin, in regard to waterproofing the central portion of the underground cistern at the Aquarium and waterproof cover for the wooden floor under the exhibition tanks, and an orderfor the Carroll Construction Company to do the work, were received; and it was

VOTED, to approve the extra work.

Mr. Austin came before the board in the matter of the contract for shelter at Copp's Hill Terraces, in reference to report called for from Mr. Shea by the mayor's secretary; and the matter was referred to the superintendent to report to the mayor.

An order of the city council, requesting information as to what action, if any, has been taken looking to the improvement of Governor's Island,for which an appropriation of $20000. was made on August 22, 1911, was received and the chairman was instructed to reply.

An order of the city council, requesting information as to what it will cost to dredge the flats opposite the end of Wood Island, East Boston, to a sufficient depth to admit of a permanent body of water for boating and bathing purposes, was received and referred to the chairman for reply.

VOTED, to approve payment to Edward F. Horrigan, for time lost on account of injuries received by him while in the discharge of his duty.

A request of lanor organizations for permit to form their parade on Commonwealth avenue, Labor Day was received, and it was

VOTED, to grant the request on the usual conditions.

A request of John McCourt & Company, for a permit for the entrance of Moraine street into Jamaicaway, was received and the matter was referred to the superintendent to see if arrangements can be made to have planting strips on each side of the street.

A report of the engineer in reference to repairs being made on the foot-

bridge to Wood Island Park, and that reconstruction will be necessary at a cost of $3500 in the near future, was considered and the chairman was instructed to notify the mayor, also to request that $35,000. be appropriated for replacing the bathhouse, which was partially destroyed by fire.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to JohnEvans & Co., the sum of six hundred sixty-five and oo/100 dollars, being in payment of bill for model of bears den and panel, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden & Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to A. A. Hersey, the sum of eight hundred twenty-eight and 75/100 dollars, being first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on boat landing at Castle Island under his contract approved July 16th, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Castle Island, Repairs on Pier.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Smith Erecting and Contracting Company, the sum of seven hundred thirty-nine and 50/100 dollars, same being first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on iron railing around pier head at Marine Park, under its contract approved June 20,1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Marine Park and Strandway improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Eugene A. Simpson, the sum of one hundred sixty-eight and 75/100 dollars, being for second and final estimate of work done and material furnished on iron picket fence at Charlestown Heights, under his contract approved January 1, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Charlestown Heights, fence.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Central Construction Company, the sum of one thousand five hundred seventy and 2/100 dollars being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on filling on Orient Heights Playground, under its contract approved June 10th, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Orient Heights.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Oliver Whyte Company, the sum of seven hundred thirty-nine and 50/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on wire partitions in Aquatin Flying Cage, under its contract approved July 17, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to James Driscoll & Son Company, the sum of four hundred thirteen and 20/100 dollars, being for fourth and final estimate of work done and material furnished on tennis courts on Franklin Field, under its contract approved September 5, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Franklin Field, Tennis Courts.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to James Driscoll & Sons Company, the sum of three hundred ninety-six and 1/100 dollars, being for second and final estimate of work done and material furnished on running track on Franklin Field, under its contract approved May 11, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to James Driscoll & Sons Company, the sum of ninety and 90/100 dollars, being for second and final estimate of work done and material furnished on excavating channel at the Fens, under its contract approved May 9, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Fens Improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to A. Johanson & Company, the sum of sixty-four and 50/100 dollars, being for balance due for fences at West Third and West Fifth-street playgrounds, under its contract, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playgrounds Ward 12.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Coleman Brothers, the sum of five thousand four hundred eighty-four and 20/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on asphalt macadam on Commonwealth avenue, under their contract approved July 15, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Louis B. Cadario the sum of nine hundred thirty-five and oo/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary building on Fellows-street Playground, under his contract approved May 16, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Sanitary Building, Fellows-street Playground.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to the White Company, the sum of three thousand one hundred fifty and oo/100 dollars, being in payment of bill for one model GTB White gasoline 1½-ton truck painted red, equipped with standard express body, #15167, under its contract dated June 7, 1912, and that the chairman sign a

request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John McCourt & Company, the sum of one hundred eighty-seven and 35/100 dollars, being for second and final estimate of work done and material furnished on wall on Franklin Field, under their contract approved April 8, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playgrounds Improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Daniel E. Lynch, the sum of one hundred thirty-six and 26/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furhished on trench for water pipe at Aquarium, Marine Park, under his contract, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor ofsaid payment; said amount to be charged to theappropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, AUGUST 30, 1912

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Coakley and Sullivan, Mr, Peabody beingabsent from the city; also present superintendent Shea.

A communication from the mayor's secretary was received, laying before the board a proposition from John Shepard to lease to the city about three acres of land on Massachusetts avenue for a playground, at a rental of $300. per annum. The superintendent submitted a report recommending that the offer be accepted; and it was

VOTED, to hire the lot offered byJohn Shepard and others on Massachusetts avenue for a playground, at a rental of $300. per annum.

The chairman was instructed to notify the mayor of this action and to send him a copy of the superintendent's report.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, SEPTEMBER 4, 1912.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 11 A.M. Present Messrs. Coakley and Sullivan, Mr. Peabody being absent from the city; also present the superintendent and the engineer of the board. The records of the last meeting, and special meeting of August 30, were read and approved.

A communication from the street commissioners, giving list of takings and awards for the Paris-street Playground, East Boston, and the Norfolk-street Playground, Ward 24, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the mayor's secretary, regarding the transfer order for Copp's Hill Terraces, and the decision of the mayor not to recommend any further appropriation for this playground, was received and placed on file.

Regarding the proposition of John Shepard, to lease land on Massachusetts avenue for playground purposes, which was accepted at a special meeting of the Board August 30, it was

VOTED, to request an appropriation of $1000 to hire and improve the playground.

A communication from H. E. Mapes, Real Estate Agent of the Boston & Maine Railroad, regarding the purchase by the railroad of a strip of land at Dewey Beach, and the erection of a wall along the railroad, was received and referred to Mr. Putnam for report.

The superintendent's recommendation that John F. McKernan be rated as foreman, now serving in capacity of playground keeper, was approved.

Mr. Putnam's report on the request of George H. Walsh, the lowest bidder on painting the iron pier at Marine Park, to be relieved of his contract, was accepted, and Mr. Putnam was authorized to arrange a settlement with Mr. Walsh.

On Mr. Isaac Hirshberg's request to be informed if the board will allow him to take the buildings on his land on Paris street, taken for the Ward 2 Playground, as a part of his award, it was

VOTED, to sell the buildings at auction and notify the tenants to vacate the premises.

VOTED, to allow thirteen days' pay to Ferdinando Guido, for absence due to accident while in the performance of his duties.

The application of Edward H. Bean for position as superintendent of the Zoo, and request of D. J. Sullivan for information regarding his application for a position as assistant at the Aquarium, were received and referred to the superintendent.

VOTED, to approve a modification of the contract with J. C. Coleman & Sons Company, to provide for resurfacing with asphalt macadam the middle driveway of

Commonwealth avenue, from Brighton avenue to Harvard avenue.

VOTED, to approve a modification of the contract with Coleman Brothers for asphalt macadam on Commonwealth avenue, to provide for the laying of endurite pavement on 1662 square yards, at 70 cents per square yard, in addition to the contract price.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Buffalo Steam Roller Company, the sum of five thousand fifty and oc/100 dollars, being for one 6-ton and one 8-ton double tandem roller, as per contract approved May 24, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request onthe city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Carroll Construction Company, the sum of seven thousand three hundred forty-nine and 10/100 dollars, being for fourth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on erection of Winter Bird House, in Franklin Park, under its contract approved May 1, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John F, Griffin Company, the sum of one thousand six hundred nineteen and 70/100 dollars, being for fifth and final estimate of work done and material furnished on masonry of aquatic flying cage in Franklin Park, under its contract approved February 17,1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED that there be allowed and paid to William A. Murtfeldt Company, the sum of one thousand six hundred eighty and 79/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on loam and concrete surface on pier head, Marine Park, under itscontract approved July 9, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Marine Park and Strandway Improvements.

A protest from the residents in the neighborhood of the Dacia-street Playground, against the use of the playground for ball playing, wasreceived and placed on file.

On the application of J. P. Collins for a permit to lay a granolithic walk at Lochstead avenue and Jamaicaway, it was

VOTED, to approve a plan for a granolithic walk, 13 feet wide, at Lochstead avenue and Jamaicaway, and to authorize the connection ofthe driveway

with the parkway on lines approved by the superintendent of parks.

A communication from the street commissioners, giving list of takings and awards for the Tyler-street Playground, Ward 7, was received and it was

VOTED, to sell the buildings at auction and notify the tenants to vacate.

A hearing was given to Michael J. Tuohey and Andrew B. Morrissey on the notice previously given to them of intention to discharge them for unbecoming conduct and quarreling with fellow-employees. Both men appeared and answered to the charges. The board took the matter under advisement, and subsequently

VOTED, to discharge Michael J. Tuohey and Andrew B. Morrissey for the reasons stated in the noticepreviously sent to them.

VOTED, to appoint Mrs. Thomas Flood matron at the Aquarium.

VOTED, torequest the approval of the mayor to the appointment of Mary A. McGarry to the position of stenographer, at $12.00 per week, to date from September 6, 1912.

VOTED, to request theapproval of the mayor to the appointment of Agnes C. Cronin, to the position of telephoneoperator, at 2.00 per day, todate from September 6, 1912.

VOTED, to request theapproval of the mayor to the appointment of Patrick F. O'Brien to the position of carriage and sign painter, at $3.00 per day, to date from September 6, 1912.

VOTED, to occupy and use for department purposes the estate No. 33 Beacon street, Boston, at a rental at the rate of $2500.per annum, beginning September 4, 1912, and payable monthly to the city treasurer.

A communication from Mr. Austin, recommending additional supplies to and overflows from theexhibition tanks in the Aquarium, at an extra cost of $338.00, was received and it was

VOTED, to approve this addition to the contract for the Aquarium Building.

VOTED, to request the street commissioners to take for the playground in the Mt. Ida section, the parcel of land shown on the plan entitled "Ward 20, Proposed Playground, Study No. 2, Modification G."

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, SEPTEMBER 11, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 11.30 A. M. Present Messrs. Coakley and Sullivan, Mr. Peabody being absent from the city. Also present Superintendent Shea. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from William D. Austin, in reference to the delay in the prosecution of the work on the bird house, enclosing copy of a letter from the Carroll Construction Company, and the secretary was instructed to send the letters to the mayor, and to reply to Mr. Austin that the board had done so.

A communication was received from Henry L. Higginson, in regard to restrictions upon the Fenway lands adjoining Simmons College, and the secretary was instructed to reply that the board would prefer to await Mr. Peabody's return before answering his letter.

A communication was received from J. M. Gordon, in reference to a lot of land adjoining the playground in the rear of Market street, Brighton, and the secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication was received from John Fottler withdrawing the offer made by Annie L. Mason, Administratrix of the estate of George Dorr, of land on Norfolk street. Dorchester, for a playground; and the secretary was instructed to forward the letter to the street commissioners.

A communication was received from the board of street commissioners, stating that the board has taken the property of Mary E. Goodwin Heirs, on Carolina avenue and Child street, West Roxbury, for playground purposes, and awarded $25,000. for the same. It was, thereupon,

VOTED, that whereas the board of streeet commissioners has taken, at the request of this board, and with the approval of the mayor, a parcel of land on Carolina avenue and Child street, West Roxbury, for a playground, there be awarded and paid to W. P. Warner and Reginald Foster, surviving trustees of Estate of William H. Goodwin, W. P. Warner, Executor under the will of Mary E. Goodwin, and Eleanor Goodwin, Guardian, the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking, satisfactory to the law department, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Ward 23.

On the recommendation of the superintendent it was

VOTED, to reject the bid of John A. Rooney for building a sanitary, subway, walls and steps on Charlestown Heights, and to award the contract to the W. A. Murtfeldt Company the next lowest bidder.

The bids, which were received September 3, were as follows:

John A. Rooney	$18 820.
W. A. Murtfeldt Company	18 906
John J. Falvey	18 938
Hapgood, Frost & Company	18 980

On the recommendation of the superintendent, it was

VOTED, to authorize Arthur E. Ogden to apply for appointment as justice of the peace to act in this department.

Mr. Shea stated that he had conferred with Mr. Burrage in regard to the entrance of Moraine-street into Jamaicaway, and recommended that the street as now being constructed be authorized be authorized, the details of the connection having been approved by Mr. Putnam. Itwas, thereupon

VOTED, to approve the plan of Moraine street submitted by Mr. Burrage, and that the connection of the street with Jamaicaway be permitted in accordance with said plan.

On request of James Rogan, for permission to transfer his carriage stand on the southwest corner of Commonwealth avenue and Exeter street. to Patrick H.Kerrigan, 375 Washington street, Cambridge, it was

VOTED, that Patrick H. Kerrigan be permitted to stand with one coupe andhorse, until further notice, at the park at the southwest corner of Commonwealth avenue and Exeter street.

Communications from John F. Dever, Director of Public Celebrations, regarding plan for a city of Boston celebration Columbus Day, October 12th, were received and placed on file.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William Downes Austin the sum of five hundred and oo/100 dollars, being for professional services as consulting architect in preparing sketches, working drawings, details and partial specifications of the sanitary, subway, walls and steps on Charlestown Heights, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Charlestown Heights and Dewey Beach Improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Hapgood, Frost and Company the sum of one thousand eight hundred twenty-seven and 50/100 dollars, being for fourth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary and locker building on Forest Hills Playground, under its contract approved March 14, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Forest Hills Playground, locker and sanitary building.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, SEPTEMBER 17, 1912.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 12 M. Present Messrs. Coakley and Sullivan, Mr. Peabody being absent from the city; also present superintendent Shea. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Orders of the city council appropriating $28,200 from the income of the Parkman Fund for the Zoological Garden and Aquarium, and transferring the property on Freeport street, in Dorchester, known as "Mallock's Wharf," from the Public Works Department to the Park Department, for the purposes of providing a public landing and recreation ground for the people of Dorchester, were received and placed on file.

A communication from the Contractors and Builders Association of Boston, enclosing copy of resolutions passed by the association protesting against the action of the park department in awarding the contract for sanitary, steps and subway, Medford street, Charlestown, to the second lowest bid, presented by a member of the association, was received and placed on file.

A communication from Mr. Austin recommending, in view of the additional funds provided for the Zoo and Aquarium, that copper roofing and skylights be substitued for galvanized iron skylights and tin roofing now provided for in the contract for the bird house, and that the board consider also the allowances for copper roofing and carving and lacquer finish on the entrance porches, was received and laid over.

The superintendent submitted a report in the matter of increases of mechanics and others' wages, which was laid over.

A communication from the board of street commissioners, stating that the board had agreed with Isaac Hirshberg in the sum of $26,469.25, as damages for the taking of his property on Paris street forplayground purposes, was received, and it was

VOTED, that whereas the board of steeet commissioners has taken, at the request of this board, and with the approval of the mayor, land and buildings on Paris street, East Boston, for a playground, there be awarded and paid to Isaac Hirshberg the sum of twenty-six thousand four hundred sixty-nine and 25/100 dollars, upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking satisfactory to the law department, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; saidamount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Accommodations Ward 2.

VOTED, that there be allowedand paid to Central Construction Company, the

sum of eight hundred fifty-five and oo/100 dollars, being for fourth and final estimate of work done and material furnished on filling on Orient Heights Playground, under its contract approved March 1, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground, Orient Heights.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Central Construction Company, the sum of one thousand one hundred fifty-five and 46/100 dollars, being for fourth and final estimate of work done and material furnished on filling on Orient Heights, under its contract approved June 10, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Orient Heights.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Laskey & McMurrer the sum of one thousand four hundred thirty-three and 95/100 dollars, being for seventh approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on heating and ventilating Aquarium Building, Marine Park, under their contract approved July 18, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditorfor a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Smith & Lovett Company the sum of one thousand seven hundred sixty-four and 57/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on iron work for bears dens, under its contract approved June 26, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Daniel E. Lynch the sum of one hundred twenty-seven and 50/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on excavating and backfilling trench for water pipe at Charlestown Heights, as per proposal dated August 1, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Bathhouse, Dewey Beach.

VOTED, that whereas the board of street commissioners has taken at the request of this board, and with the approval of the mayor, land and buildings on Tyler street, Boston, for a playground, there be awarded and paid to Mary J. Towle the sum of five thousand sevenhundred and oo/100 dollars, upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance anddischarge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking, satisfactory to the law department, and that the chairman sign a requeston the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground , Ward 7.

A communication from Mr. Shurtleff, submitting the plans for a stadium in Franklin Field, with his report on the same, was received and laid over.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, SEPTEMBER 27, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners waa held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 2 P.M. Present Messrs. Coakley and Sullivan, Mr. Peabody being absent from the city. Also present Superintendent Shea. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The superintendent submitted a report on a request from the mayor's office for information on expended balances of appropriations and transfers, which was referred to the secretary for reply.

The superintendent submitted a report and estimate on the order of the city council requesting estimates of the cost of dredging the flats opposite the end of Wood Island Park, to provide a permanent body of water for boating and bathing purposes; and the estimates were forwarded to the mayor.

The superintendent submitted a report on bills from the public recreation league, incurred in connection with park walks and related features; and it was

VOTED, to approve the bills for payment by the department.

The superintendent submitted a report on appropriations needed for necessary work on Franklin Field, Massachusetts avenue Playground, and new playgrounds in wards 24 and 25; and it was

VOTED, to approve the superintendent's estimates and to send the same to the mayor.

A communication from H. L. Higginson, regarding Fenway land restrictions, requesting early decision, was received and the secretary was instructed to see him.

A communication from Police Commissioner O'Meara, regarding charges against Officer Madden, was received and forwarded to the mayor.

A communication from J. W. Gordon, regarding land for sale in Brighton adjoining the Portsmouth-street Playground, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the citizens' Public celebration association, regarding an exhibit on Columbus-day, was received and laid on the table.

Executive Circular, No. 42, regarding courses of study for chauffeurs,

was received and placed on file.

A communication from Mary F. Murphy regarding a playground site on River street, Mattapan, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from Representative James M. Curley, to the superintendent, recommending Mrs. Rohan for position of matron, was submitted by him and placed on file.

A communication from Louis Robeson, expressing appreciation of change in roadway in Franklin Park, and suggesting similar improvement in the Arboretum, was received and placed on file.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. C. Coleman & Sons Company, the sum of twenty-two and 43/100 dollars being for part of first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on walls and grading on John Winthrop Playground, under its contract approved August 15, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for John Winthrop Playground Improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. C. Coleman & Sons Company, the sum of three thousand, five hundred fifty-six and 7/100 dollars being for part of first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on walls and grading on John Winthrop Playground, under its contract approved August 15, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Ward 16.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Coleman Brothers the sum of seven thousand two hundred ninety-eight and 74/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished under their contract approved July 15, 1912, for resurfacing roadway on Commonwealth avenue, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Daniel E. Lynch the sum of eight hundred forty-seven and 1/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on clearing and grading the Parkinson lot at Forest Hills and Williams street, under his proposal of September 26, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Parkinson Estate, rental and improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to The White Company the sum of five hundred seventy-five and oo/100 dollars, being for one 17 passenger observation body, with standing canopy, curtains, rear mud guards and extra steps, fitted

upon one White 1½ ton truck, in accordance with proposal of July 5, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a specialdraft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Carroll Construction Company, the sum of one thousand seven hundred fifty-six and 53/100 dollars, being for fourteenth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on Aquarium Building at Marine Park, under its contract approved July 11, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

A protest against football playing in West Fifth-street Playground, by M. J. Fay, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the street commissioners, stating that they have agreed with Cardinal O'Connell in the sum of $8500. as damages for the taking of land on Paris street, East Boston, in the name of James Fitton Heirs; and it was

VOTED, that whereas the board of street commissioners has taken, at the request of this board, and with the approval of the mayor, a parcel of land on Paris street, East Boston, containing 15,000 square feet, in the name of James Fitton Heirs, there be awarded and paid to the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Boston, the sum of eight thousand five hundred dollars, upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same together with an aqquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking satisfactory to the law department, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; saidamount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Accommodations, Ward 2.

A communication from the Finance Commission, regarding the awarding of the contract for building sanitary, steps, and subway at Charlestown Heights, was received and laid on the table.

A communication from Isaac Hirshberg, requesting that he be allowed to retain the buildings on his land taken for a playground in East Boston, was received and the request refused.

A request from Mr. Bonelli to the mayor, requesting that the grandstand at the speedway in Franklin Field be moved to another location, as it interferes with the sale of his land, was received. The superintendent submitted a report, and the secretary was instructed to forward the same to the mayor.

Mr. Shurtleff's report on the stadium matter was considered; and it was

VOTED, to send the same, together with the plans, to the mayor.

The superintendent's report on the communication to the mayor of Ernest J. Schworm, was approved and the chairman was instructed to send the same to the mayor.

VOTED, to accept the proposal of Daniel E. Lynch, to clear and grade the Parkinson lot at Forest Hills, for the actual cost to him plus 15 per cent.

VOTED, to accept the proposal of the Paine Furniture Company, to furnish and install furniture, rugs, and window shades in the Aquarium, as specified in said proposal, for the sum of $783.25.

VOTED, to accept the proposal ofthe Pigeon-Fraser Hollow Spar Company, to furnish and erect an Oregon pine flagpole at Charlestown Heights, sixty feet above the ground, as specified, for the sum of $140.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secretary

BOSTON, OCTOBER 3, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 11 A. M. Present Messrs. Coakley and Sullivan, Mr. Peabody being absent from the city; also present Superintendent Shea. the records of the last meeting were read and approved.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid toBatchelder Brothers the sum of six hundred sixty-three and 30/100 dollars, being for their coal bills of July, August and September 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Louis B. Cadario the sum of one thousand, two hundred nineteen and 75/100 dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnsihed on sanitary building on Fellows-street playground, under his contract approved May 18, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Fellows-street Playground, Sanitary Building.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Oliver Whyte Company the sum of two hundred seventy and oo/100 dollars being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on wire covering of Aquatic Flying Cage, Franklin Park, under its contract approved May 11, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special dradt in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Carroll Construction Company, the sum of five thousand six hundred ten and oo/100 dollars, being for fifth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on winter bird house, Franklin Park, under its contract approved May 1, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John A. Rooney the sum of one thousand seven hundred seventy-five and 25/100 dollars, being for sixth and final estimate of work done and material furnished on walls and bear dens in Franklin Park, under his contract approved June 26, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William L. Morrison Company, the sum of one thousand fourteen and 45/100 dollars, being for sixth and final estimate of work done and material furnished on concrete floors in bear cages in Franklin Park, under its contract approved September 27, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Bay State Construction & Supply Company the sum of one thousand five hundred and oo/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on refrigerating apparatus for the Aquarium, Marine Park, under its contract approved July 18, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Daniel E. Lynch the sum of three hundred fifty-nine and 55/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on clearing and grading on Norfolk-street Playground, Ward 24, under his agreement of September 21, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playgrounds Improvements.

A communication from Smith & Lovett tendering rent for the Tyler-street land occupied by them, from October 3 to November 3, was received and referred to the superintendent to confer with the superintendent of public buildings.

The engineer's report on report of finance commission, regarding the rejection of John A. Rooney's bid on sanitary, subway walls and steps, at Charlestown Heights, was received and laid over.

A communication from James Russell Boiler Works Company, regarding the proposal for repairs on the pier at Marine Park, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from L. C. Weed, in regard to the Ward 5 playground properties, was received and placed on file.

On application from Chief Surgeon F. L. Bogan, it was

VOTED, that permission be granted to the citizens' public celebration association to establish two hospital tents on Commonwealth avenue, during the parade on Columbus Day.

A communication from Principal M.H.Ballou, of the William E. Russell School, requesting that signs to regulate speed of automobiles passing the schoolhouse, be posted on Columbia Road, to insure safety to the pupils, was received and referred to the superintendent.

A communication from the public Recreation League, expressing appreciation of the park department's efforts towards improved supervision of the park playgrounds was received and placed on file.

The superintendent submitted the engineer's report, recommending the acceptance of the Pennsylvania Tile & Construction Company's proposal for laying a reinforced concrete piazza floor at the Wood Island Park field house; and it was

VOTED, to accept the proposal.

The bids which were received and opened September 30, were as follows:

Pennsylvania Tile & Construction Company	1163 00
J. C. Coleman & Sons Company	1345 00
National Waterproofing Company	1440 00
Louis Balboni	1490 00
H. P. Converse & Company	2398 00
Simpson Brothers Corporation	1620 00
" " "	1350 00

Orders for additional labor and materials under the contract with Carroll Construction Company for building the aquarium, involving an extra expense of $738.45 were approved.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, OCTOBER 15, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Coakley and Sullivan, Mr. Peabody being absent from the city; also present superintendent Shea. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

VOTED, to request the city treasurer to pay to Catherine Lavin, widow of James C. Lavin, the amount due him on the payrolls of the park department.

Mr. Coakley submitted a communication from Secretary Leahy regarding the loan order for the purchase of land adjoining Savin Hill Playground, with his reply, which was approved.

A communication was received from the street commissioners, in reference to the award to the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Boston, for the taking of property on Tyler street for playground purposes; and it was

VOTED, that,whereas,the board of street commissioners has taken, at the request of this board, and with the approval of the mayor, a parcel of land on Tyler street, city proper, containing 3150 square feet, for playground purposes, there be awarded andpaid to the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Boston, the sum of five thousand five hundred twelve and 50/100 dollars, upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking satisfactory to the law department, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Ward 7.

The superintendent submitted a report on the proposal of R. T. Adams and Company, for laying hardwood floors at the superintendent's house, Franklin Park, and the necessity for other work; and it was

VOTED, to accept the proposal and authorize the superintendent to do the other work.

A communication was received from Mrs. J. Campbell Robinson, in behalf of the directors of the Jamaica Plain Neighborhood House,asking if there is any possibility of the association's using the house at 23 Carolina avenue for the winter's work of the association; and it was

VOTED, to allow the association to use the house until such time as the department begins work there.

A communication from Henry D. Small, of the South Boston Citizens' Association, relative to odors from the Strandway dump, received from the mayor, was read and placed on file.

A bill of John C. Kiley, for services in studying sites for a playground in Ward 23, was approved.

Executive Circular No. 43, regarding historical documents that may be in the custody of departments, was received and placed on file.

Executive Circular No. 44, regarding the condition of department appropriations, was read and referred to the superintendent for report.

A communication from the street commissioners in reference to the award to Michael J. Kelley, for the taking of property on Paris street, East Boston, for playground purposes, was received; and it was

VOTED, that whereas, the board ofstreet commissioners has taken, at the request of this board, and with the approval of the mayor, a parcelof land on Paris stre-t, East Boston, containing 8208 square feet, for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to Michael J. Kelley the sum of eight thousand seven hundred fifty-three and 13/100 dollars, upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking, satisfactory to the law department, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor ofsaid payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground accommodations Ward 2.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Loomis-Manning Filter Distributing Company the sum of five hundred and oo/100 dollars, being for second and final estimate of work done and material furnished on filters for the Aquarium, Marine Park, under its contract approved October 27, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowedand paid to Laskey & McMurrer the sum of one thousand two hundred thirty-seven and 22/100 dollars, being for eighth approximate estimate of work done and materialfurnished on heating and ventilating Aquarium building, Marine Park, under their contract approved July 18, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Oliver Whyte Company the sum of one hundred thirty and 50/100 dollars, being for second and final estimate of work done and materisl furnished on wire partitions in aquatic flying cage in Franklin Park, under its contract approved July 17, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft infavor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William D, Austin the sum of seven hundred twenty-four and 12/100 dollars, being for professional services in preparing sketches, working drawings and specifications for and supervising the erection of a winter house for birds at Franklin Park, as per his bill of October 15, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to A. A. Hersey, the sum of one hundred forty-six and 25/100 dollars, being for second and finalestimate of work done

and material furnished on boat landing at Castle Island, under his contract approved July 16, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Castle Island, repairs on pier.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Smith Erecting and Contracting Company, the sum of one hundred thirty and 50/100 dollars, being for second and final estimate of work done and material furnished on iron railing around Pier Head, Marine Park, under its contract approved June 20,1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Marine Park, and Strandway Improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Hapgood, Frost & Company, the sum of one thousand twenty and oo/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on erecting a sanitary building and shelter building at Jamaica Pond, Olmsted Park, under its contract approved August 20, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for, a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Jamaica Pond shelter and boat landing.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Hapgood, Frost and Company, the sum of one thousand four hundred nineteen and 50/100 dollars, being for fifth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary and locker building on Forest Hills Playground, under its contract approved March 14, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Forest Hills Playground locker building.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to L. L. Mowbray the sum of one hundred forty-eight and 35/100 dollars, being for bill of expenses on trip to Key West for fish for the Aquarium, Marine Park, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that, whereas, the board of street commissioners has taken, at the request of this board, and with the approval of the mayor, a parcel of land on Tyler street, city proper, containing 3150 square feet, for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Boston, the sum of five thousand five hundred twelve and 50/100 dollars, upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking satisfactory to the law department, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Ward 7.

VOTED, to approve an addition to the Carroll Construction Company's contract for winter bird house, of $9623.00, for substituting copper skylights and roofing for galvanized iron skylights and tin roofing, for copper roofing for two entrance porches, and restoring allowances 1 and 3

On the superintendent's recommendation, it was

VOTED, to request the mayor's approval of the following appointments:

Catherine A. Flood	Matron	2.00	per day
Catherine Daly	"	10.00	" week
Elizabeth Shea	"	10.00	" "
Rebecca Nawn	"	10.00	" "
Harry J. Gill	Zoo Attendant	17.50	" "
I. Hale Tower	Messenger	1.50	" day
Ann Pfleger	Telephone Operator	10.00	" week

VOTED, to approve the allowance of $42.25 to Daniel J. Hurley, on account of an accident.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, OCTOBER 24, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan; also present Superintendent Shea. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The superintendent's report on Executive Circular No. 44, regarding the condition of the department maintenance appropriation, and Mr. Coakley's letter to the mayor were considered, and the matter was laid over to the next meeting.

Executive Circular No. 45, regarding appropriation for the coming fiscal year, was received and referred to the superintendent.

A city council order requesting information regarding lease of the Parkman House and amount of room intended to be used by the park department, and whether any space is to be reserved for a memorial to George F. Parkman, was received and laid over.

A communication from John C. Kiley, regarding proposed agreement for restrictions on land of Gordon Dexter on Boylston Road, and letter from Gordon Dexter, were received and laid over.

A communication from Michael J. Brophy regarding sale of houses at public auction in wards 2 and 7, with detailed statement of expenses, was received and placed on file.

A communication from J. W. Tushins, regarding land of J. M. Gordon adjoining the playground on Market street, Brighton, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the street commissioners, stating that they had agreed with Leonora I. Holt on a settlement of $3500.for estate on Tyler street, taken for playground purposes, was received, and it was

VOTED, that, whereas, the board of street commissioners has taken, at the request of this board, and with the approval of the mayor, a parcel of land on Tyler street, city proper, containing 1400 square feet and buildings, for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to Charles H. Duffy, Leonora I. Holt and Julia E. Bowen the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars, upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking satisfactory to the law department, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Ward 7.

A communication from Charles Fottler requesting renewal of concession for sharpening skates, selling skate straps, etc.,at Franklin Field locker building, was received; and it was

VOTED, that Charles Fottler be granted permission to let and sharpen skates, and sell skate straps and skates, at the locker building, Franklin Field, under the same conditions as before, for the season of 1912-1913.

A communication from the National Conference on City Planning regarding an outline of study in city planning, was received and placed on file.

The application of Robert T. Pye for a concession for a refreshment stand in the Overlook Building, Franklin Park, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

On the superintendent's recommendation it was

VOTED, to accept the proposal of Herbert S. Potter for wiring and electric light fixtures in the superintendent's house, Franklin Park, for the sum of$550.

VOTED, that the city treasurer be requested to pay to Bridget Cullity, sister, and John J. Houghton, son of Peter Houghton, deceased, the amount due him on the pay rolls of this department.

VOTED, to increase the pay of Eleanor Quinlan, instructor at Charlesbank Women's Gymnasium, from $11.50 to $13.80 per week.

Geo. F. Leavitt
Secretary

BOSTON, OCTOBER 30, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 628 Tremont Building, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan: also present Superintendent Shea. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The superintendent submitted a report on the balance of appropriation for improvement of Governor's Island, with suggestion regarding the problem of making the island more accessible, which was referred to the chairman.

The superintendent submitted a report on a communication referred by the mayor's office, regarding the method of handling the crowds at the bear cages, which was placed on file.

The superintendent submitted a report on the bill of John G. Habelt, for repairs to a one-horse dray damaged by a park department automobile, on Essex street, recommending payment; and it was

VOTED, to pay the bill.

VOTED, to approve the payment to John Morrissey for time lost on account of accident

VOTED, to approve the retirement of Neil McLaughlin, laborer.

A communication from the Boston Elevated Railway Company, for the West End Street Railway Company, regarding the relocation of the westerly of the existing tracks on Blue Hill avenue north of Glenway street and relocation of the easterly orthird track; and it was

VOTED, that the West End Street Railway Company be given leave to construct, maintain and use an alteration of, and an addition to its existing locations on Blue Hill avenue (so far as the jurisdiction of this board may extend); viz., a relocation of the westerly of the existing tracks north of Glenway street, together with a relocation of the easterly or third track, so called, north of Glenway street to south of Glenway street; also an additional cross connection south of McLellan street substantially as shown by red lines on plan of A. L. Plimpton, Civil Engineer, dated October 3, 1912, filed with the petition for this permit, together with all necessary curves, crossovers, switches and connections: said alterations being in substitution for existing tracks as shown by dotted black lines on the aforesaid plan.

Also that permission be given said company to establish and maintain the overhead single trolley electric system of motive power in the operation of its cars on said new tracks, and to erect, maintain and use the necessary poles; also wires, appliances and electrical appliances and apparatus and to make the underground and surface alterations of the streets necessary for that purpose.

A communication from the Public Celebration Association regarding award of prizes for the Columbus Day parade, honorable mention being given the park depart-

ment, was received and placed on file.

On recommendation of the superintendent, it was

VOTED, that Mr. Bean be allowed twelve dollars instead of eight for feed of horse used in department work.

VOTED, to approve Mr. Mowbray's requisition for 12 extra plate glass fronts for Aquarium tanks, to replace some that have been broken and for a surplus stock.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Boston Plate & Window Glass Company the sum of one thousand seven hundred thirty-eight and 00/100 dollars, being for bill under its proposal of March 8, 1912 for furnishing and delivering plate glass for the Aquarium Building, Marine Park, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to W. A. Murtfeldt Company the sum of five hundred twenty-seven & 40/100 dollars, being for third and final estimate of work done and material furnished on loam and concrete surface on pier head, Marine Park, under its contract approved July 9, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Marine Park and Stranway Improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Lawler Brothers the sum of three thousand five hundred forty-five and 77/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on sea wall at Mystic Playground, under their contract approved July 19, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft infavor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Mystic Playground, Sea wall and fence.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Daniel E Lynch the sum of two hundred seventeen and 86/100 dollars, being forsecond approximate estimate of work done and materialfurnished on clearing and grading on playground Mattapan District, under its proposal of September 21, 1912, and that the chairmen sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft infavor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playgrounds Improvements.

A request of the Edison Electric Illuminating Company for approval of pole on Woodland avenue adjoining Savin Hill Park, was received and referred to the superintendent.

Mr. Austin's report on water heater for the Aquarium was received and referred to Mr. Putnam for report.

VOTED, to accept the proposition from the bath trustees to launder towels at ninety cents per hundred for the large towel, forty cents per hundred for the small towel, and one dollar eighty cents per hundred for the roller towel.

VOTED, that the law department be authorized to accept the deed of W. P. Warner and Reginald Foster, Trustees, W. P. Warner Executor, and Eleanor Goodwin, Guardian, subject to the taxes for 1912.

The superintendent's report on Executive Circular No. 44, regarding condition of the maintenance appropriation, and Mr. Coakley's letter to the mayor, laid over at the last meeting, was referred to the chairman to confer with the mayor.

The city council order requesting information as to the lease of the Parkman House, the amount of room intended to bereserved for a memorial to George F.Parkman, laid over at the last meeting, was taken up and the chairman was instructed to reply.

The communications from John C. Kiley and Gordon Dexter, regarding agreement for restrictions on land of Gordon Dexter on Boylston Road, laid over at the last meeting, were taken up and referred to the chairman.

Communications from Ray P. Ells and Lewis K. Morse regarding restrictions on Riverway and Jamaicaway were received, and the chairmanwas instructed to reply.

Proposals from Fuller and Sullivan, Hawley Folsom Company, H. B. Spitz and Union Hat Company, for winter uniforms, were received as follows:

	Coat		Pants		Shirt	Hat
	Sheepskin	*Canvas				
Fuller & Sullivan,	$60.00 per doz	21 00	8.25 pr doz			
	5.00 ea.	1 75 ea.	.68 ea.			
Henry B. Spitz,	4.66 ea.	1 67 ea	.70 ea.	#1	2.09 ea	.66 ea.
				#2	2.33 ea.	
Hawley, Folsom Co.,					1.90 ea.	
Union Hat Co.					2.35 ea	.70 ea.

* 22.50 like sample, with windshield & heavy blanket sleeve lining 1.87½ each.

On recommendation of the superintendent, it was

VOTED, to accept the proposals of Henry B. Spitz for the caps and the canvas coats & pants and Hawley, Folsom Company for the shirts.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, NOVEMBER 5, 1912.

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in the mayor's office at 12.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan; also present Superintendent Shea.

Alternative plans for a stadium at Franklin Field and in the Fens were submitted to the mayor, with a recommendation in favor of the site at Franklin Field.

The Board discussed with the mayor the need of additional funds for maintenance, also the need of landing facilities at Governor's Island, and the question of restrictions on land of Gordon Dexter at the Boylston Entrance to the Fens.

VOTED, with the approval of the mayor, to increase the compensation of Arthur A. Shurtleff as landscape architect advisory to the park department, from $1000. per annum to $1300. per annum, to date from September 1, 1912.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Charles J. Jager Company the sum of eight hundred seven and 50/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on pumping plant in Riverway Gatehouse, under its contract approved July 15, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Fens Improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Hapgood, Frost & Company the sum of six hundred sixteen and 25/100 dollars, being for sixth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary and locker building on Forest Hills Playground, under their contract approved March 14, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Forest Hills Playground, locker building.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Hapgood, Frost & Company the sum of two thousand one hubdred twenty-five and oo/100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on erecting a sanitary building and shelter building at Jamaica Pond, under its contract approved August 20, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Jamaica Pond shelter and boat landing.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Carroll Construction Company, the sum of seven thousand one hundred forty and oo/100 dollars, being for sixth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on erection of a winter bird house in Franklin Park, underits contract approved May 1, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, NOVEMBER 8, 1912

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the mayor's office, at 4.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan; also present Assistant Superintendent Putnam.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Louis L. Mowbray the sum of one hundred dollars, to be held by him for the payment of travelling and other expenses in acquiring, transporting and care of fish for the Aquarium, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. C Coleman & Sons Company, the sum of two thousand nine hundred eighty-seven and 75.100 dollars, being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on walls and grading on John Winthrop Playground, under their contract approved August 15, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for John Winthrop Playground Improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. C. Coleman & Sons Company, the sum of two thousand one hundred forty-two and oo/100 dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on asphalt macadam on Commonwealth avenue, under his contract approved June 11, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for park department.

The chairman submitted Mr. Wead's account for investigations of property on Mt. Ida, East Boston, Charlestown, and at Tyler street; and the chairman was instructed to write him that the board considered that $500.00 would be a proper charge for his services and one which the board could approve.

The board adjourned to confer with the finance commission at its office.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, NOVEMBER 20, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room,828 Tremont Building, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan; also present superintendent Shea. The records of the last meeting and special meetings of November 5 and 8 were read and approved.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Daniel E. Lynch the sum of one hundred forty-nine and 47/100 dollars, being for secondand finalestimate of work done and material furnished on cleaning and grading the Parkinson lot at Forest Hills and Williams street, under his contract of September 26, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriaton for Parkinson Estate, Rental and Improvement.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Pennsylvania Tile and Construction Company thesum of nine hundred eighty-eight and 55/100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on concrete floor for piazza of Field House at Wood Island Park, under its contract approved October 10, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Wood Island Park Locker Building.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to West Roxbury Trap Rock Company, the sum of six hundred ninety-five and oo/100 dollars, being for third and final estimate of work done and material furnished on wall and stairway on Franklin Park, under its contract approved January 15, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Smith & Lovett Company thesum of one thousand two hundred ten and 43/100 dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on iron work for bear dens in Franklin Park, under its contract approved June 26, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium

VOTED that there be allowed and paid to Leslie C. Wead, the sum of twenty-five and oo/100 dollars, being for his bill dated September 26, 1912, for services in examination of and reports on land for playground in Ward 2, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground accommodations Ward 2.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Leslie C. Wead the sum of one hundred twenty-five and oo/100 dollars, being for his bill dated September 26, 1912, for services in examination of and reports on land for playground in Ward 5, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Ward 5.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Leslie C. Wead the sum of one

hundred and oc/100 dollars, being for his bill dated September 26, 1912, for services in examination of andreports on land for playground in Ward 7, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draftin favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Ward 7.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Leslie C. Wead the sum of two hundred fifty and oc/100 dollars, being for his bill dated September 26, 1912, for services in examination of and reports on land for playground in Ward 20, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Ward 20.

The superintendent submitted his report for the week ending November 16, also a communication from Ralph G. Stowell in reference to a concession for the boat service at Jamaica Pond, for the summer of 1913, which were placed on file.

The superintendent submitted two reports to the mayor regarding the aquarium and zoo pay rolls, and transfer of a balance of the appropriation for repairs on pier at Castle Island, to Marine Park and Strandway improvements, which were approved.

The superintendent submitted a statement showing condition of the maintenance appropriation and amount required to the close of the fiscal year; and the chairman was instructed to appear before the council in support of the mayor's request for a further appropriation for maintenance.

On request of Postmaster Mansfield, it was

VOTED, to authorize the location of a post for a letter box at the corner of Commonwealth avenue and Sherborn street.

A communication from Edwin Adams and others, calling attention tothe condition of tracks at the crossings on Columbia Road, was received and referred to the superintendent for report.

A communication from W. A. Murtfeldt Company, stating, that, as no protection orheating was included in the estimate for the Charlestown Heights shelter, etc., they will not be able to start on the work until spring, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the assessing department, with accompanying tax bills of Mary E. Goodwin and William P. Warner, et.al., trustees, upon which abatements have been made, was received and placed on file.

A communication addressed to the mayor, from John F. Duffy, regarding a site for a stadium, and suggesting a botanic garden for Wood Island Park, and an open-air theatre in Franklin Park, was received and placed on file.

The chairman submitted a letter from the Transit Commission, asking the board to advise it as to which plan for the subway entrance in Commonwealth avenue was favored by the board; and it was

VOTED, to recommend Shurtleff's plan for an open balustrade treatment, and that the chairman notify the transit commission accordingly.

A communication was received from the council of the Massachusetts Historical Society, asking for a hearing before action is taken on the application of Gordon Dexter for an agreement as to restrictions on his land; and it was

VOTED, to notify the society that the board would hear anybody who has any objection to offer to the proposed agreement, and to notify Mr. Gordon Dexter of such hearing.

The chairman submitted some estimates he had received for furnishing the second-floor rooms of the Parkman House; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the chairman to purchase furniture to the amount of nine hundred dollars.

VOTED, to request a special appropriation of $6000.00 for Parkman House repairs and furnishings.

VOTED, that the chairman arrange for a brass door plate for the Parkman House, in accordance with sketch prepared by Mr. Ripley.

The superintendent submitted a report in regard to the need of a new motor for the launch, and recommended that a contract be made with Murray and Tregurtha for a new engine in exchange for the old Sterling engine; and it was

VOTED, to approve of the proposed exchange provided it can be arranged at a cost less than $1000.

VOTED, to approve the sketches by Mr. Ripley for alterations in the horse sheds for a zoo service station and exhibition building, and to pay the usual charge for such services; also to approve the employment of Mr. Ripley to make drawings for seats to go in front of the bear dens, and a roof for the Franklin Field Speedway grandstand.

A communication was received from Mr. Austin recommending certain changes in the curb of the floor pool and other minor changes in the Aquarium building, Marine Park, which were approved.

A communication from the acting superintendent of the Yellowstone Park, containing statement of account and vouchers pertaining thereto for procuring bears for the zoo, and offering to furnish elk at $15.00 each, wasreceived,and the chairman was instructed to ask the mayor to transfer from the Parkman Income funds for thispurpose, and temporary accommodation for these and other anumals at the horse sheds.

A communication from the mayor, stating that the street commissioners find, that the appropriaiation for the proposed playground in Ward 5 is insufficient to meet the expense of taking the property selected by the board, was received, and the chairman was instructed to reply.

BOSTON, NOVEMBER 26, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 628 Tremont Building, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan; also present Superintendent Shea. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The president and several members of the Massachusetts Historical Society were given a hearing on the request of the council of the society to be heard before action is taken by the board, on the request of Gordon Dexter, for an agreement for restrictions on his land opposite the society's building.

Moorfield Storey, owning property at 24 Fenway also appeared, and Gordon Dexter and his counsel were present. Mr. Storey stated that he and others had bought their land and built houses on the Fenway in the belief that the restrictions against merchantile and mechanical businesses would be maintained. It would be particularly objectionable to allow garages to be located at the entrance to the park. He said he did not object so much to mechanical work associated with automobile warerooms, but would guard against garages, and against use for mechanical purposes objectionable to the neighborhood.

Arthur Lord, for the society, asked if buildings for mechanical or merchantile purposes were intended? He said mechanical is broader than merchantile and would bring the possibility of noise or disturbance, injuries to the building and interests of the society and the purpose for which thesociety exists. The society understood they would be protected from these buildings when they located there.

Charles Francis Adams stated that the purpose of the society in building there was for light, air and quiet, and they would object to any change in policy with reference to restrictions which would intefere with this object; they would strenuously object to mechanical arts which would cause noise or other disturbance.

Mr. Dexter and his counsel answered questions and a general discussion ensued, at which it was suggested that they get together and see if an agreement cannot be reached agreeable to all parties.

A communication from Willis B. Allen, advocating the widening of Commonwealth avenue at the southwest corner of Charlesgate West, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

The proposal of A. A. Hersey for furnishing, driving and fitting sixteen oak fender piles for the Strandway wharf, for $23.00 per pile, was accepted.

The proposal of the New England Iron Works Company, for furnishing a hot water boiler in accordance with plan and specifications, for $100.00, was accepted.

The proposal of Murray & Tregurtha for a new engine for the Governor's Island launch, in exchange for the old engine, for $995.00, was accepted.

An order to change the date for completion of the contract with W. A. Murtfeldt Company, for stairway, walls and steps on Charlestown Heights, from December 15 to July 15, was approved.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Lawler Brothers the sum of four thousand six hundred sixteen and 78/100 dollars being for second approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on seawall at Mystic Playground, under their contract approved October 26, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Mystic Playground, sea wall and fence.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. C. Coleman & Sons Company, the sum of two thousand eight hundred eighty-six and 60/100 dollars, being for fourth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on asphalt macadam on Commonwealth avenue, under its contract approved June 11, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park department.

VOTED, that, whereas, the Board of Street Commissioners has taken, at the request of this board, and with the approval of the mayor, a parcel of land in the rear of Chelsea street, East Boston, containing 1800 square feet, for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to Amelia F. Linberg, for herself and as guardian, the sum of three hundred sixty and oc/100 dollars, upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking satisfactory to the law department, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground accommodations, Ward 2.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, DECEMBER 9, 1912

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the mayor's office, at 4.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan.

The board conferred with the mayor in regardto the Gordon Dexter land,

appropriation for the stasium, and

VOTED, to employ E. B. Mero, temporarily, to advise the superintendent in organizing the playground work for 1913, at a salary of $125.00 per month during such service.

Geo. F. Flaherty
Secretary

BOSTON, DECEMBER 10, 1912

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the chairman's office, 57 State street, at 3 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody and Sullivan, also present Superintendent Shea.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Laskey & McMurrer the sum of five hundred eighty-seven and 38/100 dollars, being for ninth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on heating and ventilating Aquarium building at Marine Park, under their contract approved July 18, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Carroll Construction Company, the sum of three thousand five hundred twenty-one and 67/100 dollars, being for fifteenth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on erection of Aquarium building at Marine Park, under its contract approved July 11, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paidto Carroll Construction Company, the sum of nine thousand six hundred eight and 40/100 dollars, being for seventh approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on erection of winter bird house at Franklin Park, under its contract approved May 1, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a sepcial draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for, Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Daniel E. Lynch the sum of one hundred thirty-five and 25/100 dollars, being for third and final estimate of work done and material furnished on clearing and grading on Norfolk-street

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Daniel E. Lynch the sum of one hundred thirty-five and 25/100 dollars, being for third and final estimate of work done and material furnished on clearing and grading on Norfolk-street Playground, under his proposal dated September 21, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playgrounds Improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to James B. Shea, Superintendent, the sum of one hundred and oo/100 dollars, for sustenance of the men at Governor's Island, at the rate of four dollars per week for each man, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Governor's Island Improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to the City Collector the sum of four hundred seventy-seven and 60/100 dollars, being for taxes for 1912 on the estates of Mary E. Goodwin Heirs, 23 Carolina avenue; and William P. Warner, Reginald Foster, Trustees under the will of William H. Goodwin, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Ward 23.

Geo. F. Clapp
Secretary

BOSTON, DECEMBER 20, 1912

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan, also present Superintendent Shea. The records of thelast meeting were read and approved.

Communications from the street commissioners pertaining to takings and awards for Ward 5 playground and Mt. Ida playground, were received and placed on file.

An order of the city council, requesting the board to flood Orient Heights Playground for skating purposes, was received and the superintendent was instructed to do it if it is possible.

Orders of the city council appropriating the balance of the income of the Parkman Fund for the zoo and aquarium, also appropriating $7500. for additional land for Savin Hill Beach, and transferring $2784.85 from the appropriation for

Castle Island, repairs on pier, to an appropriation for Castle Island and Marine Park Improvements, were received and placed on file.

The superintendent's report on the letter from James Cowan for a refreshment stand at Strandway Playground, was received and laid over.

A communication from Charles deLuca, asking for information in regard to refreshment privileges at Marine Park, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from C. H. Proessdorf, suggesting certain land as suitable for a playground site in Ward 19, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from the Mattapan Civic Improvement Association, requesting that Norfolk-street Playground be flooded for skating, was received, and the superintendent was instructed to see if it can be done.

A communication from L. M. Brett, Acting superintendent of Yellowstone National Park, regarding settlement of account with the department of the interior for bears, and offering to secure elk at $15.00 each, was received and it was

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to A. M. Brett, acting superintendent yellowstone national park, the sum of sixty andoo/100 dollars, the same being a deposit of the amount required to capture four elk, crate and load the same on the car, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Hapgood, Frost and Company, the sum of fourthousand six hundred seventy-five and oo/100 dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on erecting a sanitary building and shelter building at Jamaica Pond, under its contract approved August 20, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Jamaica Pond shelter and boat landing.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Smith & Lovett Company the sum of one thousand five hundred seventy and 49/100 dollars, being for fourth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on iron work for bear dens in Franklin Park, under its contract approved June 26, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John, Parkinson the sum of five hundred eight and 40/100 dollars, being the taxes for 1912 on the land on Forest Hills street, Rossmore road and Williams street rented by this department for

playground purposes, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Parkinson estate, rental and improvement.

A communication from Richard E. Follett, with bill of expense in connection with the zoo and aquarium, amounting to $74.35, was received; and it was

VOTED, to approve and pay the same.

The annual estimates were considered and the chairman was instructed tosend the same to the mayor.

A communication from L. W. Robbins, protesting against theerection of an electric light pole on Woodland avenue at the entrance of Savin Hill Park, was received and referred to the superintendent, for report.

The superintendent submitted a report on the application of Gilman J. Raymond, for the privilege of sharpening skates and selling skates and skate straps at Jamaica Pond; and it was

VOTED, to grant the privilege for this season, under the same condition as previously.

A communication from Alexander S. Porter,Jr., in regard to traffic conditions on Commonwealth avenue near Massachusettsavenue, was received and the secretary was instructed toreply.

Proposals from James Ahern & Son for recovering tin roof on the shepherd's house at Franklin Field, for the sum of $51.00, and painting the same; from W. A, Snow Iron Works for making and erecting an iron gate for Columbus-avenue Playground for the sum of $73.00, excluding wire work; and from the Boston Bolt and Iron Company for furnishing one hundred and eight iron braces for fence for Marcella-street Playground for the sum of ninety dollars, were received and accepted.

A communication from John C. Kiley presenting bills for services in connection with selecting sites for playgrounds in Ward 5 and the Mt. Ida Section, was received and the bills were approved.

The superintendent submitted a report on the stadium matter, and the chairman was instructed to refer the same to Mr. Ripley for report.

A communication from Representative Timothy J. Ahern regarding the selection of playground sites in Ward 19 was received and considered by the board.

VOTED, to appoint John A. Martin to the position of tankman and feeder at the Aquarium, and a request was sent to the mayor for approval of the appointment.

A communication from Moorfield Storey,enclosing form of agreement submitted by Mr. H. M. Burton for gordon Dexter, was received. The agreement of Gordon Dexter to hold certain land on Boylston Entrance and the Fens subject to certain restrictions therein set forth, having been read, it was

VOTED, that the board of park commissioners hereby approves of and accepts the agreement from Gordon Dexter to restrict his land fronting on the Fens and Boylston Entrance, which has just been read, upon the terms set forth in said agreement. Mr. Peabody not voting, he feeling that he has a personal interest in the neighborhood.

The chairman was instructed to write to Mr. Thayer in regard to the creation of a board of advisors, whom the board can consult, from time to time, in matters relating to the zoo and aquarium.

The secretary was instructed to consult the law department on the question as to what land the board can take under the orders making appropriations for beach land, and for filling, grading and improvements at Savin Hill Beach.

VOTED, to approve an allowance of $73.56 to Anton Volk, as compensation for lost time due to an injury received by him while in the performance of his duties.

Geo. F. Leslie
Secretary

BOSTON, JANUARY 3, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 10 A.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan, also the superintendent and the engineerof the board. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

A communication and report from E. B. Mero, in reference to organizing playground work was received andread, and the secretary was directed to write Mr. Mero that his letter and report have been laid before the board and will be considered.

The secretary was instructed to write to the city auditor to see if the suggestion of the mayor, that the compensation of Mr. Mero be shared by the park, bath and public grounds departments,can be carried out.

A bill of the municipal athletic association, for espenses in connection with park walks and publicity, amounting to $144.27, also printing department bills in connection with the same work, were received and approved; and the secretary was instructed to ask Mr. Mero to write to the board what he plans to do in the future on this line, so that the board can pass upon it before additional expense is incurred.

The superintendent stated that Mr. Benson wishes to make a trip in the Southwest, in the spring, to purchase birds; and the secretary was instructed to write Mr. Benson, that the board thinks it inadvisable for him to make a trip at this time, but to continue the policy of purchasing birds in this market until experience shows it to be desirable to do otherwise.

VOTED, that when animals are offered to the zoological collections, each case be reported with recommendation to the commission; also that a note be prepared to send to persons, donating animals in acknowledgment of the same.

The secretary was instructedto write to Mr. Benson, that the board has considered his offer of a bull buffalo and other gifts; and, while the board does not feel like accepting valuable gifts from its employees, the board will, if the value is nottoo great, consider their purchase.

The chairman was instructedto write to Mr. Ripley to make a design for a small building suitable for the sale of ice-cream and refreshments in parks and Playgrounds.

A communication from Daniel T.O'Connell, in reference to changing the layout of the golf course, was received and referred to the superintendent to confer with Mr. O'Connell.

A communication from the museum of fine arts, inquiring about bas reliefs in the possession of the department, was received and referred to the secretary for reply.

A communication from the law department, in reference to the occupying of premises on Paris streetand Tyler street, by tenants at the time of taking for Playground purposes, together with a report from Thomas J. Murphy, was received and placed on file.

A communication from Richard S. Teeling, asking whether Mr. Hurley can occupy his house at Charlestown, taken for Ward 5 Playground, until spring, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply, that the board will allow Mr. Hurley to remain on suffrance at his own risk without charge.

A communication from the mayor's secretary in reference to a request for work for a landscape draughtsman was received, and the chairman stated that he had written to Olmsted Brothers to inquire about the man.

A communication from the chamber of commerce, submitting a list of questions in reference to financing public improvements, was received and placed on file as referring to street improvements only.

The superintendent submitted a plan for a temporary building at the horse sheds for winter quarters for birds and small animals, and three proposals for erecting the same; and it was

VOTED, to request the mayor for authority to make a contract therefor without advertising.

VOTED, that Andrew C. Featherstone, foreman at the aquarium, be placed on an annual basis, at his present rate of compensation.

VOTED, that the city treasurer be requested to pay to Margaret Topham Dillon, wife of Thomas Dillon, the amount due him on the park department pay rolls:

December 20 to 26, 1912	$18.00
December 27 " January 2, 1913	9.00
	27.00

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Charles E. Putnam the sum of one hundred eighty-nine and 25/100 dollars, being for the expenses of C. E. Putnam and James B. Edgeworth in attendance at Ninth Annual Convention of the American Road Builders' Association in Cincinnati, December 2, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Coleman Brothers, the sum of two thousand three hundred thirty and 81/100 dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on resurfacing roadway on Commonwealth avenue, under their contract approved July 15, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Carroll Construction Company, the sum of six thousand three hundred seventy-five and oo/100 dollars, being for eighth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on erection of winter bird house, in Franklin Park, under its contract approved May 1, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to H. P. Converse & Company, the sum of four hundred thirteen and 25/100 dollars, being for third and finalestimate of work done and materialfurnished on guard fence at aquatic flying cage, in Franklin Park, under its contract approved May 22, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Boston Plate and Window Glass Company the sum of four hundred fifty and oo/100 dollars, being their bills for twenty-four lights of 1" rough plate glass for the Aquarium, in accordance with its proposal of September 19, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to becharged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Lawler Brothers the sum of six thousand two hundred sixty-six and 20/100 dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on sea wall at Mystic Playground, under their

contract approved July 19,1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Mystic Playground, sea wall and fence.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. C. Coleman & Sons Company, thesum of five hundred thirty-seven and 62/100 dollars, being for third approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on walls and grading at John Winthrop Playground, under their contract approved August 15, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for John Winthrop Playground Improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Murray &Tregurtha Company, the sum of nine hundred ninety-five and oo/100 dollars, for one 3-cylinder gasoline engine, as per proposal dated November 22, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Governor's Island Improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William Downes Austin the sum of four hundred eighty-eight and 49/100 dollars, being for professional services in supervision of the erection of bathhouse at Dewey Beach, 2 2/5% of payments to date, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amountto be charged to the appropriation for Bathhouse, Dewey Beach.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. E. Locatelli Company, inc., thesum of seven hundred seven & 67/100 dollars, being for fifth approximate estimate of work doneand material furnished on erecting bathhouse at Dewey Beach, under its contract approved April 2, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor ofsaid payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Bathhouse, Dewey Beach.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, JANUARY 10, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 4 P.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan; also present Superintendent Shea. Records of last meeting read and approved.

The superintendent submitted his weekly reports, also a report from Mr.

Benson in regard to sundry matters relating to the zoo, which were placed on file.

A communication from E. S. Wright, Major First Cavalry, for L. M. Brett, Acting Superintendent Yellowstone National Park, requesting that the draft for the capture of the elk be made out to himself or Henry Anderson, owing to absence on leave of Mr. Brett, was received and the secretary was instructed to see if the arrangement can be made.

A communication from the mayor, enclosing a letter from M. J. O'Leary, requesting that the aquarium be kept open until five o'clock P.M., daily, was received and referred to the superintendent for report.

A communication from the corporation counsel regarding the use of appropriations for the purchase of additional land for Savin Hill Playground, was received and the chairman was instructed to write to the mayor requesting such transfer of appropriations as will enable the board to secure any land it may deem desirable for an extension of the playground.

A communication from John E. Nolan, Secretary Savin Hill Improvement Association, transmitting the vote of the association endorsing the appropriation for the taking of upland for extending Savin Hill Playground, was received and placed on file.

A communication from C. P. Curtis, Secretary and Treasurer Winsor School, regarding payment for tree trench in Berners Square, built under instructions from this department, was received and referred to the superintendent for reply.

The superintendent submitted the engineer's report on the communication from J. W. Robbins, protesting against the electric light pole opposite Rockland avenue entrance to Savin Hill Park, which was placed on file.

A communication from W. S. Kenny, stating that he will hold the department liable to damage to property belonging to Mary Kenny, 72 and 74 Chelsea street, East Boston, was received and referred to the superintendent.

A request of S. I. Hudgens for burro privileges at Marine Park was received and referred to the superintendent for report.

A petition of the Boston Yacht Club for approval of plan of proposed dredging on the Strandway, was received and referred to the superintendent for report.

A request of the Boston Elevated Railway Company for pole location on Commonwealth avenue and Brighton avenue was received and referred to the superintendent.

Applications from John F. Glynn and A. G. Brugger for refreshment privileges at Franklin Park were received and placed on file.

VOTED, to request the mayor's approval to the appointment of Anna A. Dever and Mary J. Maloney as matrons.

VOTED, that, whereas, the board of street commissioners has taken, at the request of this board, and with the approval of the mayor, a parcel of land on

Adams street, Dorchester, containing 32,675 square feet and building, for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to Frederic W. Bliss and George D. Bliss, heirs of Hannah T. Bliss, the sum of two thousand five hundred and 00/100 dollars, upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking satisfactory to the law department, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Mt. Ida Section.

VOTED, that, whereas, the board of street commissioners has taken, at the request of this board,and with the approval of the mayor, five parcels of land on Homes avenue and Adams street, Dorchester, containing 28,892 square feet, for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to Charles E, Stratton and Almena J. Flint, Trustees under the will of David B. Flint, the sum of four thousand, nine hundred sixteen and 50/100 dollars, upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking satisfactory to the law department, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground, Mt. Ida Section.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Laskey & McMurrer the sum of two thousand three hundred eighty-three and 5/100 dollars, being fortenth and final estimate of work done and material furnished on heating and ventilating aquarium building, Marine Park, under their contract approved,July 18, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Hapgood, Frost & Company, the sum of one thousand eight hundred thirty-three and 10/100 dollars, being for seventh and final estimate of work done and material furnished on sanitary and locker building at Forest Hills Playground, under its contract approved March 14,1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropr iation for Forest Hills Playground locker and sanitary building.

VOTED, thatthere be allowed and paid to Pennsylvania Tile and Construction Company, the sum of one hundred seventy-four and 45/100 dollars, being for second and final estimate of work done and material furnished on concrete floor for piazza of Field House at Wood Island Park, under its contract approved October 10, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special

draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Wood Island Park, locker building.

A communication from the city auditor regarding the employment of E.B.Mero, and letters from Mr. Mero referring to his report for the organization of a recreation division and regarding the work of the municipal athletic association, were received and placed on file.

Letters of acceptance from William Brewster, Thomas Barbour and Professor Mark, with reference to serving on an advisory board on the work of the zoo and aquarium, were received and it was

VOTED, to elect Messrs. Brewster, Barbour, Mark, John E. Thayer and John Phillips to serve on said board; and that the chairman arrange for a meeting as soon as he thinks it desirable to do so.

The superintendent submitted a report in regard to Mt. Ida Playground, and recommended the sale by auction of the buildings on Ward 5 Playground

The board instructed the chairman to ask Mr. Shurtleff to look at Mt. Ida Playground with reference to the use of the building and grounds; and

VOTED, to sellat auction the buildings on Ward 5 playground, except the house corner of Union and Washington streets, for removal in the spring.

The chairman presented a letter from Mr. Shurtleff showing traffic conditions at Times square and Herald square, New York.

The chairman was instructed to order the curtains, carpets, etc., for completing the furnishing of the board rooms in the Parkman House.

VOTED, to accept the proposal of Thomas O'Callaghan for linoleum floor covering for the Parkman House halls and stairway and third floor room, for the sum of $219.00; also proposal of Edward F. Mayberger, for copper roof and gutter on balcony of the housd for $125.

The mayor's approval to the making of a contract for the temporary building for birds and animals, without advertising for bids, being received, it was

VOTED, to accept the proposal of Wilbur J. Hatch, for the woodwork,doors, sashing and roofing, for the sum of $2740.00, provided he will agree to complete the work in twenty working days,from January 13.

The chairman presented a letter from Mrs. Clara May Ripley, offering to give to the city for a playground for children about 40,000 feet of land on Prospect place, Dorchester, to which the chairman replied; and the secretary was instructedto ask the law department what steps should be taken to complete the matter.

Geo. F. Kelaate
Secretary

BOSTON, JANUARY 18, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan; also present the superintendent and the engineer of the board. Therecords of the last meeting were read and approved.

The chairman submitted a plan for a sanitary building at Prince-street Playground, also a sketch for a refreshment booth, prepared by Mr. Ripley; and the chairman was instructed to ask Mr. Ripley to restudy the latter, and prepare working drawings for the former as soon as may be.

The board considered alternative plans and estimates prepared by Mr. Putnam, for utilizing the old reservoir on Parker Hill for a swimming pool; and the chairman was instructed to lay the plans and estimates before the mayor.

The superintendent submitted estimates for completing the newly acquired playgrounds, including Mystic and Orient Heights playgrounds, amounting in all to about $250,000; and the chairman was instructed to send the same to the mayor, and request him to obtain an appropriation therefor; also to ask the mayor to provide toilet accommodations for the Tyler-street Playground in the new municipal building adjoining.

The chairman was instructed to again urge upon the mayor to provide funds for the work on the Parkman House.

The proposal of John F. Griffin Company, for building a brick vault on the third floor level of the Parkman House, for the sum of $798.00 was accepted.

The chairman was instructed to consult with J. E. Thayer regarding the advisability of inviting Messrs. Kennard and Barnes to serve on the advisory committee on the zoo and aquarium.

The superintendent submitted the engineer's report on the request of the Boston Yacht Club to dredge in Dorchester Bay in front of its location, as shown on the plan submitted with its request; and it was

VOTED, to approve the plan, and that the secretary notify the club that the board has no objection to its dredging the area shown on the plan.

VOTED, to again request the mayor's permission to open Franklin Park to automobiles, and that the secretary so inform the mayor and refer to the previous vote of the board in regard to admitting automobiles to Franklin Park.

The chairman reported a conversation with R. F. North, Local Secretary Playground and Recreation Association of America, in regard to the work carried on by the board during the past season in the playgrounds, and who expressed satisfaction with the work of the board.

Mr. Benson's suggestion of placing in the park system signs of the association for the prevention of cruelty to animals was considered; and the secretary

was instructed to say that the board thinks it would be better to have its own signs, at least until it is seen that they are not sufficient.

A communication, from the secretary of the Harvard Improvement Association, regarding the spring near the junction of Canterbury street and Blue Hill avenue, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the chief engineer of the sewer service, in regard to closing the entrances of sewers where buildings are removed in the new playgrounds, was received and placed on file.

Michael J. Brophy submitted the advertisement for the sale of buildings in the Ward 5 Playground, which was approved, and Mr. Brophy was instructed to make the sale accordingly.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Hapgood, Frost & Company, the sum of one thousand two hundred ninety-six and 25/100 dollars, being for fourth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on erecting a sanitary building and shelter building at Jamaica Pond, under its contract approved August 20, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Jamaica Pond shelter and boat landing.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. C. Coleman & Sons Company, the sum of one thousand two hundred fifty-three and 63/100 dollars, being for fourth and final estimate of work done and material furnished on walls and grading on John Winthrop Playground, under their contract approved August 15, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for John Winthrop Playground Improvements.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. C. Coleman Sons Company, the sum of two thousand four hundred forty-eight & 20/100 dollars, being for fifth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on asphalt macadam on Commonwealth avenue, under its contract approved June 11, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to theappropriationfor Park Department.

VOTED, that, whereas the board of street commissioners has taken, at the request of this board, and with the approval of the mayor, a parcel of land on Robinson avenue, Dorchester, containing 39,788 square feet, for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to Edward M. Capen and Nellie P. Carter the sum of five thousand nine hundred eighty-eight and oo/100 dollars, upon their proving title thereto, and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account ofsaid taking satisfactory to the law department, and that the chairman sign a request on the

city auditor for a special draftin favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Mt. Ida Section.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, FEBRUARY 1, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held in Room 828 Tremont Building, at 10 A.M. Present Messrs. Cockley and Sullivan, Mr. Peabody being absent from the city; also present superintendent Shea. The records of the of the last meeting were read and approved.

The superintendent submitted his report for the week ending January 25, with accompanying reports of Messrs. Putnam, Benson, Mowbray and Ogden.

A communication from the civil service commission, certifying John T. Benson to fill the position of superintendent for the zoological garden, was received and placed on file. (The appointment was not certified to the civil service as the mayor has not approved it.)

A communication from the mayor forwarding a copy a copy of thereport of the directors of the port of Boston, regarding the viaduct from Marine Park to Castle Island and the utilization of earth from the tunnel excavations, was received and the superintendent was instructed to see what arrangements can be made for filling and to have plans prepared.

A communication from Charles A. Whittemore, regarding a temporary plank walk from Commonwealth avenue curb to line of setback in front of the Lozier portion of the building of the Cross Roads Associates, was received and it was

VOTED, to authorize the Cross Roads Associates to lay a temporary plank sidewalk, 12 feet wide, from the curb line on Commonwealth avenue to the part of the building occupied by the Lozier Motor Company.

A communication from the mayor, acknowledging the chairman's letter regarding the use of Parker Hill Reservoir for a swimming pool, stating that he would take the matter up with the city council, was received and placed on file.

A communication from the mayor transmitting a report from the board of health regarding the condition of the water in the Fens, between Ward's Pond and Brookline avenue, was received and referred to the superintendent to confer with the Brookline authorities.

A petition of John Donnelly & Sons for occupancy of the side walk on

Commonwealth avenue, for the purpose of painting advertising signs on bulletin boards, and requesting a conference with the board, was received and the superintendent was instructed to confer with Mr. Donnelly.

An order of the city council requesting an investigation of the method of renovating the soil and watering the greens at Belmont Springs Country Club, with the ideaof adopting the same at the Franklin Park golf course, was received and referred to the superintendent for report.

A communication from the mayor regarding work on the Parkman House and the need of an appropriation, in answer to the chairman's letter, was received and placed onfile.

A communication from Councillor John J. Attridge, petitioning on behalf of Ward 24 Democratic Club and the Neponset Improvement Society, for the installation of more electric lights on Neponset Playground during the skating season, was received and referred to the superintendent for report.

The application of Mrs. Katherine Donovan, for position as matron, and Mr. Peabody's letter regarding the same, were received and referred to the superintendent.

VOTED, that, whereas, the board of street commissioners has taken, at the request of this board, and with the approval of the mayor, a parcel of land on Union street, Charlestown, containing 5731 square feet, for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to James H. O'Brien the sum of six thousand fifty-six and oo/100 dollars, upon his proving title thereto andgiving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking satisfactory to the law department, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft infavor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground, Ward 5.

VOTED, that, whereas, the board of street commissioners has taken, at the request of this board, and with the approval of the mayor, a parcel of land on Union and Washington streets, Charlestown, containing 4644 square feet and buildings, for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to Mary E. O'Brien the sum of seven thousand one hundred fifty-eight and oo/100 dollars, upon her proving title thereto, and giving a deed or release of the same satisfactory to the law department, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground, Ward 5.

VOTED, that, whereas, the board of street commissioners has taken, at the request of this board, and with the approval of the mayor, a parcel of land on Rutherford avenue and Union street, Charlestown, containing 2729 square feet,

for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to I. Homer Sweetser the sum four thousand and oo/100 dollars, upon his proving title thereto, and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs andexpenses on account of said taking, satisfactory to the law department, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draftin favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground, Ward 5.

VOTED, that, whereas, the board of street commissioners has taken, at the request of this board, and with the approval of the mayor, a parcel of land on Union street, Charlestown, containing 3342 square feet and building, for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to I. Homer Sweetser, Ida E. Sweetser, I.Homer Sweetser, Trustee under will of Isaac Sweetser, SusanJ.Sweetser and Isaac Homer Sweetser trustees under will of Frank E. Sweetser the sum of fourthousand eight hundred forty-two and oo/100 dollars,upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account ofsaid taking satisfactory to the law department, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground, Ward 5.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Carroll Construction Company, the sum of twelve thousand and oo/100 dollars, being for sixteenth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on erection of aquarium building, at Marine Park, under its contract approved July 11, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Carroll Construction Company, the sum of four thousand two hundred fifty and oo/100 dollars, being for ninth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on erection of winter bird house, in Frahklin Park, under its contract approved May 1, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed andpaid to Lawler Brothers, the sum of one thousand one hundred five and 0O/100 dollars, being for fourth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on seawall at Mystic Playground, under their contract approved July 19, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft infavor of said payment; said amount tobe charged to the appropriation for Mystic Playground, seawall and fence.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to J. F. Locatelli Co.,Inc., the sum

of three thousand five hundred ninety-one and 83/100 dollars, being for final estimate of work done and material furnished on erection of bathhouse at Dewey Beach, under its contract approved April 2, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Bathhouse, Dewey Beach.

VOTED, to approve the superintendent's recommendation for the purchase of a sand spreading machine and the employment of a painter to get the running stock into better condition.

On order of the city council, transferring $7000. from the appropriation for Columbia Road assessments, repayment of, to an appropriation for Consumptive's Hospital, vacuum cleaning system, was received and placed on file.

Account sales of buildings on the land taken on Union and Washington streets, Charlestown, for the Ward 5 Playground, were received and placed on file.

A communication from the mayor, transmitting report of the board of health in regard to the condition of the dumps at the Strandway and the Fens, was received and referred to the superintendent.

A communication from Horace Packard in reference to the condition of Commonwealthavenue near his house, to which the superintendent had replied, was read and placed on file.

The superintendent submitted a suggestion from the mayor, that suitable tablets be placed on the buildings erected in the parks, and the superintendent was instructed to call the architects' attention to the matter.

The superintendent submitted some proposals from Murray & Tregurtha Company for repairing and painting the launch "Adeline", and repairs on the dories amounting to $150.00, $115.00, and $42.00, respectively; and it was

VOTED, to accept the proposals.

The superintendent submitted a communication from the pay roll inspector of the civil service commission, returning the bills for expenses and salary of E. B. Mero, without approval; and the secretary was instructed to obtain from Mr. Mero bills for all his expenses to date, before the board takes up the matter with the civil service commission.

The secretary presented a communication from William D. Austin, in reference to the final payment to J.E.Locatelli Company, under its contract for the Dewey Beach bathhouse, also partial payment to the Carroll Construction Company under its contract for the aquarium.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, FEBRUARY 15, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Parkman House, 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan, also present the superintendentand the engineer of the board. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The superintendent submitted his report for the week ending February 8, 1913, also report on material used on the Blue Hill avenue parkway, with recommendation that it be tried as an experiment on a part of the parkway, which were placed on file.

The engineer's report on the request of the public works department, to lay sewers and surface drains in West Roxbury Parkway, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

A communication from Benjamin Fox, inc., requestingapproval for a carriage entrance to Mrs. Adams' estate on Jamaicaway, with plan, was received and referred to the superintendent for report.

Communications from the bath and music departments, in answer to the request of this department regarding properties and lists of employees, were received and placed on file.

A communication was received from the superintendent of public buildings, requesting the board to transfer 595 feet of land on Tyler street, to the publicbuildings department, in order that a convenience station for Ward 7 playground may be provided in connection with the municipal building; and it was

VOTED, to make said transfer andsend the same to the mayor for his approval.

A request of the Metropolitan Park Commission, for concurrence in conveyance to Walter Baker and Company, Limited, of about .77 acre of land on Neponset river, and the taking of 61227 square feet, which said company agrees to convey in exchange therefor, was received; and it was

VOTED, to approve said taking and conveyance in concurrence with the Metropolitan Park Commission.

A proposal from Murray & Tregurtha, for repairing the launch "Adeline", painting the same, and repairs on dories, was accepted.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid Smith & Lovett Company the sum of one thousand four hundred two and 14/100 dollars, being for final estimate of work done and material furnished on iron work for bears' dens in Franklin Park, under its contract approved June 26, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological garden and aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Daniel Russell Boiler Works, Inc., the sum of one thousand four hundred eighty-seven and 50/100 dollars, being for

first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on iron and concrete casings for columns of iron pier at Marine Park, under its contract approved September 28, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Robert Goetze-Leipzig the sum of twenty-seven and 17/100 dollars, being for bill dated November 15, 1912, for one set Gewohnliche Araometer and one thermometer, for the aquarium, Marine Park, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Hollis French and Allen Hubbard the sum of eight hundred ninetyone and 60/100 dollars, being balance due on account of their commission on contracts forheating and ventilating, refrigerating machinery and filters for Aquarium Building, Marine Park, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Thomas O'Callaghan the sum of six hundred sixty-three and 90/100 dollars, being for his bill dated February 11, 1913, for furnishing and laying linoleum in the Refectory Building, Franklin Park and the Parkman House, 33 Beacon street, Boston, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a specialdraft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Hapgood, Frost & Company the sum of one thousand six hundred fifteen and oo/100 dollars, being for fifth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on erecting a sanitary and shelter building at Jamaica Pond, under itscontract approved August 20, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request onthe city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Jamaica Pond Shelter and Boat Landing.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Wilbur J. Hatch the sum of two thousand three hundred twenty-nine and o /100 dollars, being for first approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on temporary bird and animal house on Franklin Park, under his contract approved February 3, 1913, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

A communication from Mr. Austin in reference to additions to the bird

House contract, amounting to $828.27, was received and the secretary was instructed to write to the mayor for a further appropriation from the Parkman Fund, to enable the board to make these changes and to continue the work on the zoo and the aquarium.

A communication from Roger F. Sturgis, in regard to enriching the soil and resurfacing lawns on Commonwealth avenue, was received and the secretary was instructed to forward Mr. Sturgis's letter to the mayor, and request an appropriation of $28,800.00 for doing the work.

An order of the city council requesting the opinion of the board on the advisability of running the electric cars through Franklin Park, was received and referred to the superintendent and the landscape architect for report.

The superintendent and commissioner Sullivan were instructed to report on a desirable situation for a farm building, to shelter sheep and cows and where fresh milk could be sold at Franklin Park, also to report on the plan of having a camel, an elephant, and donkey carts, for children to ride.

The chairman was instructed to write to the mayor in regard to Mrs. Ripley's offer of a playground for young children, and recommend that the proposed gift be accepted; also to write to the members of the advisory committee on the zoo and aquarium, proposing the names of Messrs. Hemenway and Pennard, and arrange for a meeting of the committee.

An estimate from Francis H. Bacon Company, for three pieces of furniture for the Parkman House, amounting to $410.00, was received and accepted.

A communication from Isabel F. Sherman, of the Women's Municipal League of Boston, expressing her appreciation and that of her associates in the playground work of last summer, was received and the chairman was instructed to acknowledge the same.

The chairman was instructed to forward to the civil service commission Mr. Nero's bill for services, and the bill of the municipal athletic association for expenses in connection with park walks, with a letter explaining the same and requesting the commission's approval.

The superintendent was authorized to appoint Charles M. Sherman as foreman of the aquarium, if he and Mr. Mowbray can arrange to do so with the civil service commission.

The resignation of Charles G. Lawrence, to take effect March 1, was received; and it was

VOTED, to give Charles G. Lawrence six months' vacation from March 1, 1913, without loss of pay, on account of illness.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, MARCH 1, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, Boston, at 9 A.M. Present Messrs. Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan; also present the superintendent and the engineer of the board. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The superintendent's reports for the weeks ending February 22 and March 1 were read and placed on file.

The superintendent submitted a report on the request of Ella C. Adams for a carriage entrance to her estate on Jamaicaway; and it was

VOTED, to approve the request in substance, the final plan to be submitted later.

The superintendent submitted a report on the request of the Boston Elevated RailwayCompany, to construct macadam landings on Commonwealth avenue, opposite Sherborn and Blandford streets; and the secretary was instructed to notify the company, that the board thinks that these landings should be made of more suitable material, either brick or granolithic.

The superintendent submitted a report on his trip to New York and the Bronx Park, also of his previous trip to Pittsfield and New York, taken in the interest of the department.

VOTED, to approve the expenses incurred by James B. Shea, superintendent, on the occasion of his visit to Pittsfield and New York, on January 23-26; also the visitto New York February 19; both of which were made at the instance of the board and in the interest of the department.

A communication from the civil service commission, declining to approve Mr. Mero's bill for services and bill of the municipal athletic association, was received, and the chairman was instructed to refer thequestion to the corporation counsel.

A communication from the mayor, regarding proposition to establish a merry-go-round in Franklin Park, and communication from H. B. Auchy, President Philadelphia Toboggan Company, manufacturers of high grade carrousels, were received, and the superintendent wasinstructed to ascertain the facts in regard to their use in other cities.

A communication from the mayor's office, acknowledging communication from the chairman in regard to the offer of Mrs. Ripley of land on Trescott place, Dorchester, for a playground, wasreceived and placed on file.

A communication was received from French and Hubbard, regarding payment of final draft in refrigerating contract for the aquarium in advance of a final test of the apparatus; and it was

VOTED, that, if French and Hubbard are satisfied that th e department is protected, the board will pay the final draft.

VOTED, to approve and pay to James D. Edgeworth on account of an accident, an allowance of $56.25 fortime lost, and to refer his claim to be reimbursed for his doctor's bill to the committee on claims of the city council.

A communication from the commissioner of public works, relative to the location of sewers in West Roxbury Parkway, was received and referred to the superintendent for further study and report.

Executive circular, No. 46, regarding leave of absence to members of the Massachusetts Volunteer Malitia, March 3 - 8, was received; and it was

VOTED, to allow leave of absence to any such member who applies.

VOTED, that WHEREAS, the board of street commissioners has taken, at the request of this board, and with the approval of the mayor, land and buildings on Washington street, Charlestown District, for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to Jeremiah P., Garrett J.,and Michael S. O'Riorden and Agnes C. Taff the sum of twenty-three thouaand forty-seven and oo/100 dollars, upon their proving titlethereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking satisfactory to the law department, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground, Ward 5.

VOTED, that, WHEREAS, the board of street commissioners has taken, at the request of this board, and with the approval of the mayor, two parcels of land on Tyler street, city proper, containing 2800 square feet, more or less, and buildings, for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to Henry A. Lawrence Charles G. Lawrence, Nancy A. Goodwin, and Charles J. Roby, the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars, upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking satisfactory to the law department, and that the chairman sign a requeston the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Ward 7.

VOTED, that, WHEREAS, the board of street commissioners has taken, at the request of this board, and with the approval of the mayor, a parcel of land on Adams street, Dorchester, containing 34,522 square feet, for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to Susan L. Emery, Helen W. Emery, Margaret T. Emery, Julia C. Emery, W. Stanley Emery, and the said Margaret T. Emery as guardian of Carrie M. Emery, the sum of five thousand seven hundred dollars, upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking satisfactory to the law department, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Mt. Ida Section.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Carroll Construction Company the sum of two thousand nine hundred ninety-seven and 70/100 dollars, being for final payment on account of work done and material furnished on Aquarium Building, Marine Park, under its contract approved July 11, 1911, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Carroll Construction Company the sum of six thousand two hundred ninety and co/100 dollars, being the tenth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on erection of winter bird house in Franklin Park, under its contract approved May 1, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

A communication from Senator E. C. R. Bagley, relative to speed track at Wood Island Park for skaters, was received and placed on file.

A communication from Hawley, Folsom Company, relative to option on flannel for uniform shirts, was received and the secretary was instructed to call for proposals for the same, also for the summer uniforms.

A communication from the national automobile asscciation, suggesting that the parkways be placed in condition after snowstorms, was received and referred to the superintendent.

The chairman reported that his attention had been called to a bill togive the street commissioners additional authority in regard to laying out streets in the territory between the Fens and Brookline avenue, and the secretary had consulted Mr. Corbett about it, with the result that Mr. Corbett will see that the bill is so amended that the rights of the park commissioners will not be affected.

The superintendent submitted a report from Mr. Benson, stating that he had received a cable from Hagenbeck, offering one black-collared Tibet bear for £200.00, one Japanese bear £175.00, and a light brown bear £150, recommending that the two former be purchased; and the superintendent was instructed to ask Hagenbeck to hold the two bears until April.

The superintendent submitted a report on the result of his conference with Mr. E. C. Donnelly, in regard to the advertising signs on Commonwealth avenue and Boylston street, which was placed on file.

At the request of the law department, certaindata in regard tothe Cadario Contract for the Fellows-street sanitary building, in answer to interrogatories filed in court, were prepared and signed by the chairman.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, MARCH 8, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the office of the board, 33 Beacon street, at 9 A M. Present Messrs Peabody and Coakley, also present the superintendent and the engineer of the board. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The superintendent's report for the weekending March 8 was read and placed on file.

The superintendent submitted a report on the communication from the civil service commission, regarding the certification of Mr. Benson, and the secretary was instructed to reply to the civil service commission.

The superintendent submitted a report on the application of S. I. Hudgens, for burro privileges at Marine Park; and it was

VOTED, to permit S. I. Hudgens to keep burros for hire at Marine Park, for this season, provided that the length of ride and the burros and their equipment are satisfactory to the superintendent ofparks; also that he be requested to establish a like service in Franklin Park.

A communication from the corporation counsel, regarding the bill of E. B. Mero for expert services, was received, and the secretary was instructed to ask Mr. Merotorender a bill for services in preparing his report on the extension and development of recreation in the Boston parks and playgrounds, and, withthe approval of the mayor, submit the same to the civil service commission.

A communication from Grace G.North, requesting that tree planting on Beacon street be continued from the Brookline boundary to the end of the Reservoir car line, was received and the secretary was instructed to reply.

VOTED, to appoint Augustus Hemenway and F. H. Kennard to serve on the advisory board on the zoological garden and aquarium.

A communication from James E. Downey, Headmaster High School of Commerce, regarding the Curtis model of the Metropolitan District, which he desired to place at the disposal of the board, was received and referred to the chairman.

A communication from John Hodson, requesting permission to camp on Governor's Island, was received and the superintendent was instructed to report on the question of the conditions under which permits should be granted.

A communication from Michael J. Tuohey, requesting reconsideration of his case, was received, and the superintendent was authorized to reinstate him if such action is permitted.

Estimates of F. H. Bacon Company for shades for the Parkman House, of $26.50, and special furniture for small room adjoining the board room, for $165.00, were accepted.

The superintendent submitted a report on the communication from F. Abbot Goodhue to the mayor, offering to secure Brazilian tigers, suggesting that the offer

was a good oneand recommending its acceptance; and the matter was referred to the superintendent and Mr. Benson to determine what should be done.

On Mr. Shurtleff's recommendation, it was

VOTED, to provide quarters for elk on the site originally intended for an elk range.

A report was received from Mr. Shurtleff in reference to a shelter at Humboldt avenue and Seaver street, recommending that it be combined with a gate lodge; and the chairman was instructed to have sketches prepared.

Mr. Shurtleff's suggestion of lockers for golfers in the refectory building was considered; and it was

VOTED, to suspend action.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Hapgood, Frost and Company the sum of ten hundred twenty and 00/100 dollars, being for sixth approximate estimate of work done and material furnished on erecting a sanitary and shelter building at Jamaica Pond, under its contract approved August 20, 1912, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Jamaica Pond shelter and boat landing.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to Francis H. Bacon Company the sum of nine hundred eighty-four and 00/100 dollars, being for bill of February 8, 1913, for furniture for the Parkman house, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Parkman House.

Geo. F. Clarke
Secretary

BOSTON, MARCH 15, 1913

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at 33 Beacon street, at 9 A.M. Present Messts, Peabody, Coakley and Sullivan, also present the superintendent and the engineer of the board. The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The superintendent's report for the week ending March 15 was read and placed on file.

The chairman reported in favor of the acceptance of the Curtis model of the Metropolitan District, and it was

VOTED, to accept the model as offered by Mr. Downey, Headmaster of the High School of Commerce, in his letter of March 3, and to make arrangements to exhibit the same in the Franklin Parl library or some other suitable place.

The chairman submitted some sketches from Mr. Shurtleff for locating a proposed shelter on Seaver street at the entrance to Franklin Park opposite Humboldt avenue; and it was

VOTED, to authorize the chairman to ask Wells and Dana to make sketches for the proposed structure

The superintendent was instructed to report on a system for procuring supplies for the zoo and aquarium, and also weekly pay for the employees who work sevendays per week.

The superintendent reported on the expenditures made at the mayor's request for the skating carnival and it was

VOTED, to pay the bills.

VOTED, to authorize Mr. Mowbray to make arrangements to procure fish for the Aquarium, at an expense not to exceed one thousand dollars.

A sketch for proposed bronze tablets to be placed on the aquarium and bird house was received from Mr. Austin, with an estimate from John Evans & Company, of $972.00, and the matter was referred to the chairman.

VOTED, that the plan for proposed carriage entrances at 434 Jamaicaway from the estate of Mrs. Ella C. Adams, by Benjamin Fox, Inc., dated March 7, 1913, be approved, and that the connection of said entrances with Jamaicaway be permitted in accordance with said plan.

VOTED, that, WHEREAS the board of street commissioners has taken, at the request of this board, and with the approval of the mayor, a parcel of land on Adams street, Dorchester, containing 5827 square feet, for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to William Homes the sum of one thousand five hundred and oo/100 dollars, upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking satisfactory to the law department, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Mt. Ida section.

VOTED, that, WHEREAS, the board of street commissioners has taken at the request of this board, and with the approval of the mayor, two parcels of land on Homes avenue and Robinson avenue, Dorchester, containing, respectively, 18500 square feet and 40596 square feet, for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to Samuel G. King, William J. Wilcox and Henry L. Hall, trustees under the will of Franklin King, the sum of eight thousand eight hundred sixty-four and 40/100 dollars, upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said

taking satisfactory to the law department, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to becharged to the appropriation for Playground, Mt. Ida Section.

VOTED, that, WHEREAS, the board of street commissioners has taken at the request of this board, and with the approval of the mayor, a parcel of land on Washington street, Charlestown, containing 1820 square feet, for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to William H. Albree and Laura A. Richmond the sum of four thousand nine hundred fifty-five and co/100 dollars, upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking satisfactory to the law department; and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground Ward 5.

VOTED, that, WHEREAS, the board of street commissioners has taken at the request of this board, and with the approval of the mayor, four parcels of land on Adams street and Homes avenue, Dorchester, containing respectively 18272, 18371, 24881, and 822 square feet, for playground purposes, there be awarded and paid to Frank E. and Agnes G. Homes, thesum of nine thousand nine hundred ninety-three and 30/100 dollars, upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed or release of the same, together with an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses on account of said taking satisfactory to the law department, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Playground, Mt. Ida Section.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to William D. Austin the sum of two thousand one hundred ninety-seven and 78/100 dollars, being forbill for professional services in preparing plans and specifications and supervising construction of the aquarium, Marine Park, dated March 10, 1913, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Zoological Garden and Aquarium.

VOTED, that there be allowed and paid to John F. Griffin Company the sum of eight hundred ninety-six and 13/100 dollars, being for bills of March 7, 1913, for building vault at Parkman House, as per proposal dated January 16, 1913, and building in frame and bricking up jambs, front wall, Parkman House, and that the chairman sign a request on the city auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Parkman House, repairs and furnishings, ($119.70 held by auditor. Paid by special draft June 3)

Geo. F. Clarke